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# WATSON HITS BACK

THE Australian national team has proved once and for all that it can play good football.

There have been bad reports that we have been playing defensive stuff, and certain players have been coping stick that they shouldn't be in the team.

Yet the past week's results should have silenced those critics.

We had a very good game against Nottingham Forest in Adelaide, and then we played exceptionally well in the first half against Rangers on Saturday.

After half-time, Rangers — obviously after a few sharp words from their manager Jock Wal-

lace — came out a different team.



BY JOE WATSON

But we were a bit tired. This is a whole new ball game for us, with so many games in such a short time.

One of the biggest hurdles we had to overcome was to score a few goals — and we did that on Saturday.

Looking at the three games so far, we've shown continual improvement, and I know we can still play better.

We will get beaten for sure, but as long as the team keeps performing as it is, we will have a very good national team by the end of the



Terry Greedy dives at the feet of John McDonald to deny the Rangers winger a goal. Read ASW's reports on the World Soccer Series matches inside.

series.

However, it is a shame that players have to go

out every week and prove themselves over and over again in the eyes of some

"experts."

I feel sorry for the players. After a while

you begin to think: "What the hell have I got to do?"



PAOLO ROSSI

# JUVE NAMES TEAM

BY DAVID JACK

WITHIN an hour of arriving in Australia yesterday, Juventus selected the team to face Manchester United at the Sydney Cricket Ground tomorrow night.

The line-up is Tacconi, Gentile, Cabrini, Bonini, Brio, Scirea, Penzo, Tardelli, Rossi, Vignola, Boniek.

At a press conference at Sydney's Boulevard Hotel, coach Giovanni Trapattoni demonstrated he had no secrets from the media.

When I asked him when we would get his team to play United, Trapat-

toni answered: "You can have it now!"

He then reeled off the names.

It is a tremendously strong side, in fact, apart from Domenico Penza replacing French international Michel Platini, this is the team which won the final of the European Cup Winners Cup against Porto.

It is not surprising

that United boss Ron Atkinson commented: "This is going to be another difficult match for us."

Juventus, of course eliminated United from the Cup Winners Cup in a two-legged semi-final recently.

Trapattoni handled his end of the press conference expertly, proving he is no stranger to such situations.

He said his team would train at Sydney Athletic Field at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, after which all players would

be happy to answer questions from everyone.

The airport reception for Juventus was noisy and enthusiastic but there were not as many people to welcome the team as expected.

About 200 turned up with flags and banners and constantly chanted "JUVE JUVE."

The most pleasing thing about the arrival of Juventus was the discovery that every one of their great stars turned up — apart from

Platini.

And all should be fit to play against United.

There is some anxiety about Paolo Rossi's condition but it seems his only ailment is a sore throat which should not handicap Italy's favourite footballer.

Gary Bailey, United's goalkeeper who had to work overtime when the Manchester team last played Juventus, admitted Juventus would take a lot of stopping.

Somebody asked him at the press conference

if he feared facing up to the great Paolo Rossi but Bailey answered: "They have a lot of good players, all capable of scoring goals, so I cannot just think about Rossi."

Although Manchester United are considerably under-strength, they should still give Juventus a run for their money.

But if you are a betting man, you would have to invest your cash on a victory for the Italian maestros.



## EDITORIAL

MOVING around the country with the Australian "A" and "B" squads is an interesting experience.

Rivalry between players in the two teams is perfectly apparent and there is nothing wrong with that.

Even more interesting, maybe, are the contrasting ideas and methods of the coaches, Frank Arok and Eddie Thomson.

In the political context, we would have to call Arok the conservative and Thomson the radical.

Indeed Arok has admitted several times during the tour that he has conservative ideas on team selection.

"I know which are my best 11 players and I will not make any team changes without good reasons," said the national coach.

Thomson has a different approach altogether.

After his "B" players turned on a splendid performance against Glasgow Rangers in Melbourne, Thomson promptly dropped Richard Miranda and Doug Brown for the next match.

"I know people say you should not change a winning team," said Thomson, "but we didn't win anyway. It was a 0-0 draw!"

Pressed further on why Theo Selemidis and Gary Cole had been brought into the team, Thomson stressed that one of his tasks during this hectic series of matches was to unearth talent for the national team.

"You cannot do that by keeping players on the bench," added Thomson.

Arok, meanwhile, believes it is a major priority to get a settled team.

We should be grateful for that, bearing in mind the bewildering chopping and changing of personnel which plagued Australia's national squad during the Rudi Gutendorf regime.

Far better for Australia to have Arok conservatism in place of the Gutendorf welter of team changes.

On the other hand, it might be argued that, with the World Cup eliminations almost 18 months away, the anxiety to get a settled team is premature.

The World Soccer Series gives Arok an excellent opportunity to blood several players who are not — at the moment — first choice for Australia.

He probably would not agree but if such a policy produced only two or three capable candidates for the World Cup eliminations, this might be of more benefit to the Socceroos than finding a settled team at this early stage.

On the topic of team changes, we hear there is some pressure on Arok to replace Joe Watson with a younger man.

We do not believe you can dump players merely because of the date on their birth certificates.

Last November, Watson was voted by the Soccer writers (ASPA) as the best player in Australia.

If he was that good only seven months ago, how can he be kicked out now?

Little Joe's game has not deteriorated. On the contrary, he is now playing the best football of his career.

If Watson is in his middle 30's when the World Cup Finals are staged in Mexico, so what?

If there is no better man to fill his shoes, Watson must retain his spot.

One of the nicest compliments paid to Joe came from David Mitchell in a discussion about Glasgow Rangers wizard winger, Dave Cooper.

Mitchell said: "Cooper can show the ball to an opponent, beat him with pure skill, and get away. Just like Joe Watson, but on the opposite flank."



## MITCH SPARKS WIN

BY BRAD EARL

**DAVID MITCHELL, the big, blond Socceroo striker, was the centre of attention in Australia's 3-2 win over Glasgow Rangers.**

Included for the Nottingham Forest match on the Wednesday night, Mitchell "did his job" in the eyes of national coach Frank Arok, without playing spectacularly.

Yet, for a full-time professional with Scotland's Rangers, so much more was expected of Mitchell.

It was against Rangers on Saturday at the Sydney Cricket Ground that Mitchell showed the form of which he is capable.

He had a point to prove to Rangers manager Jock Wallace, after being relegated to the reserves soon after Wallace's return to Ibrox.

### Tough

Mitchell's hard running, aggression and determination — matched with intelligence in attack and skill on the ball — gave the Scot defenders a tough match.

Their job was made even tougher by an outstanding performance by

Mitchell's captain and front-line partner, John Kosmina.

Unfortunately, Mitchell left the field after an incident in which Rangers' substitute central defender, Colin McAdam, broke a leg.

"The kid played well," national coach Frank Arok said, explaining why Mitchell upset the Rangers defence.

"He was provocative in his movements, he ran at them and he scored a goal."

That goal drew praise from Mitchell's other boss.

"He took his goal very, very well, turning well in the box, and he played very, very well," said Wallace.

He gave a pointed response when queried about Mitchell's uncertain future at the Glasgow club.

"He's a Rangers player, son," Wallace answered to a reporter at the post-match press conference.

### Attacking

Australia gave notice of their attacking ability in the opening seven minutes, with Marshall Soper miskicking from six metres and then trying a 25 metre dig with Kosmina screaming for the ball on his right.

Left winger John McDonald was the most potent Rangers forward early on, and his 19th minute shot was stopped by keeper Terry Greedy's outstretched foot.

Two minutes later, Joe Watson sent over a corner which led to Australia's opening goal. Rangers keeper Peter McCloy came out to attempt to punch, but he had to climb above Mitchell and failed to connect properly, and powerful Steve O'Connor volleyed the dropping ball like a rocket into the goal.

Ally McCoist, who played as an attacking mid-





1. It's a goal for Glasgow Rangers as Ally McCoist (right) chips the diving Terry Greedy.

2. Australian left-back Graham Jennings under challenge from Rangers Scottish international winger, Davie Cooper.

3. Soccerroo captain John Kosmina chests the ball in front of Davie McPherson.

4. David Mitchell, the young Australian striker, puts Rangers defender Hugh Burns under pressure.

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DAVID JELLINGS



fielder, showed his style when he equalised a minute later. He escaped the last line of defence and casually chipped Greedy as he came out to narrow the angle.

The Soccerroos went back in front with two goals in the 27th minute.

Kosmina took the ball to the byline on the right and centred across the face of the goal. Mitchell picked up the ball on the far side, beat centre-back Davie McPherson, and passed back to Kenny Murphy, whose shot was blocked.

#### Ability

As the ball ran loose, Kosmina came in to hit it — and it was here that he showed the full extent of his footballing ability.

Kosmina lined up for a piledriver, but held his foot back as he shot to flight the ball perfectly.

Australia's third goal followed straight after, when Mitchell, 15 metres out on the left side, dum-

mied the other Rangers centre-back, Craig Paterson, and hit a ground shot which beat McCloy on his near post.

Greedy denied McDonald again when he saved at his feet in the 34th minute, and the last first half goal chance came when Soper won the ball from the last defender but blasted wide of the goal.

Rangers came back strongly in the second half, with McPherson pushed into midfield from defence, and he made a big difference with his skilful distribution.

It was his through-ball that set McCoist on a free run to goal, but Australian sweeper Charlie Yankos brought the much-vaunted McCoist down as he entered the penalty area, and the same player scored from the resultant penalty.

The McAdam - Mitchell incident occurred in the 72nd minute.

Mitchell made a break from his own penalty area

after a Rangers corner, and McAdam halted his progress with a late tackle.

#### Speed

Both players were travelling with speed, and it was an unfortunate incident which saw McAdam carried off on a stretcher and an upset Mitchell consoled by Arok as he replaced him with Frank Farina.

McDonald headed the ball in five minutes later, but Rangers were denied the equaliser when referee Doug Rennie disallowed the goal for pushing.

Farina had two great chances to increase Australia's lead in the 85th minute.

The first was with a low shot that beat McCloy but hit the post; the second when he attempted to chip McCloy, who had come off his line, but the experienced keeper claimed the ball in spritely fashion.

It was a match of much

entertainment, with Rangers to be commended for their competitive, fighting display.

The standard of Australia's play drew comparison with that of the team Jock Wallace faced as Rangers manager in 1975.

"There is a definite improvement in technique, passing, tactical discipline, physical preparation."

"If Australia played one game every month like that, the standard would soar," Wallace concluded.

AUSTRALIA: Greedy; Davidson, Jennings, Yankos, Ratcliffe, O'Connor; Watson, Murphy; Soper (Cant 70), Kosmina, Mitchell (Farina 72).

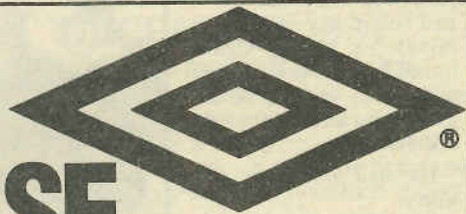
GLASGOW RANGERS: McCloy; Burns, McClelland, Paterson, McPherson; Russell, McCoist, Redford; Cooper (McAdam 57, replaced by McKinnon 72), I.Ferguson, McDonald.

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**'If Australia played one game every month like that, the standard would soar': Rangers manager Jock Wallace**



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# SOCCEROOS GET 'A' RATING

BY DAVID JACK

AT a time when Australia's "A" team was suffering some criticism for allegedly employing negative tactics, it came as a breath of fresh air to see the Socceroos v Nottingham Forest match at Adelaide's under-populated Hindmarsh Stadium.

There was nothing negative about the 90 minutes of solid action between two very good teams which ended in a 1-1 draw.

Australia's coach Frank Arok was somewhat worried before the start when injury to Jimmy Cant forced him to weaken the midfield by bringing in an extra forward, David Mitchell.

He had no cause to worry.

The team played far better than it did against Manchester United four days earlier, displaying a technical maturity only rarely seen from Australian sides.

That was the major point made by Forest's coach, Ron Fenton, at the after-match press conference.

"I expected Australia to be fit and fast but it was a surprise to see your team also possessed considerable technical skills," said Fenton.

The Forest coach was not just trying to be nice and friendly to his hosts as some other overseas coaches have been in the past.

He stressed his genuine feelings when he commented: "I thought it was a very good match which either side could have won. I'm really looking forward to the return game in Brisbane."

Frank Arok, also, was impressed although he warned that this excellent performance from his players was only the start of a long hard road which we all hope will lead to Mexico in 1986.

In the Australian lineup, there were top con-



ALAN DAVIDSON

tributions from Alan Davidson, Joe Watson and Marshall Soper although several other Socceroos were also in fine form.

We are accustomed to seeing Davidson and Watson turning on the style, but it was a bonus to see the much-criticised Soper emerging as Australia's top forward.

Against Forest, Soper gave left-back Kenny Swain a busy time and was unlucky not to get a spectacular winning goal when he turned and hit a great shot over the crossbar.

Ron Fenton, however, thought Joe Watson was Australia's best player.

"The young boy was in great touch," said Fenton. That "young boy" com-

ment was not meant as sarcasm. Fenton explained that Watson used to be with the Nottingham club as a young apprentice.

It was heartening to see the Socceroos hit back and equalise after going a goal behind in the 25th minute.

Big Viv Anderson headed Forest into the lead from a Colin Walsh free-kick, emphasising why he likes to spend so much time in the opposing penalty area.

But only five minutes later, Australia had levelled in an excellent movement involving Soper, Jennings and the goalscorer Ken Murphy.

All in all, it was a night to remember... one of the best performances Aus-

tralia has turned on for some years.

The only disappointment was the small attendance at Hindmarsh.

There were fewer than 4,000 paying spectators on a perfect night: the football served up deserved twice as big an audience.

AUSTRALIA "A" — Greedy, Davidson, Jennings, Yankos, O'Connor, Ratcliffe, Murphy, Watson (Gray 86), Mitchell (77), Kosmina, Soper.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST — Van Breukelen, Anderson, Bowyer, Swain, Mills, Gunn, Fairclough, Wigley, Walsh, Davenport (Hodge 70), Birtles.

# LINESMAN GETS THE BLAME

Australian coach Frank Arok and his assistant Eddie Thomson soundly criticised Queensland linesman Gordon Nicholson after Australia's "B" 1-2 loss to Glasgow Rangers at Lang Park in Brisbane.

Both coaches were adamant Sandy Clark had been offside prior to equalising in the 43rd minute to negate Charlie Egan's goal six minutes earlier.

The two coaches believed the goal swung the game back in Rangers favour.

But Nicholson, and many of the disappointing 2,527 crowd, believed the decision had been correct.

According to Nicholson, Theo Selemidis, had been slow in coming out with his team-mates and played the Rangers striker onside.

"There was at least a foot in it," Nicholson said.

The incident and the equaliser would never have come about had the Australians properly cleared a corner. But

the ball was headed to David McKinnon who quickly swept it left to midfielder David McPherson.

McPherson was quick to see Australia attempting the offside trap and played a delicate chip to the edge of the penalty box where Clark and Ian Ferguson were waiting.

BY GREG RUSSELL

With the flag down and the Australian defence stranded, Clark had no trouble slotting his shot under the oncoming Tony Franken.

The goal stunned Australia and inspired a second half revival from the visitors.

The Australians, who in the first half again showed tenacity and a desire to push forward, well deserved their 38 minute goal.

After numerous chances had gone begging Peter Katholos pushed a free kick through the Rangers wall to find Egan unmarked at close range. The tiny South Melbourne winger cracked his shot into the far corner of the net.

But Australia lost its grip on the match after the break and Rangers, playing a pattern of quick, short passes looked as dangerous as any side in the series.

It came as no surprise when Ian Redford outpaced Peter Lewis down the left and crossed to Ferguson to score the winner in the 74th minute.

AUSTRALIA B: Franken, Lewis, Henderson, Blair (Slater 77), M. O'Shea, J. O'Shea, Patikas, Katholos, Selemidis (Miranda 82), Egan, Cole.

RANGERS: Walker, McKinnon, McAdam (Burns 52), Patterson, Dawson, McCoist, McPherson, Redford, Clark, Ferguson, Munro (McDonald 69).

# 12,000 MILES FOR VICTORY

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

IT WAS third time lucky for Manchester United when they finally defeated Nottingham Forest 1-0 at the Melbourne Cricket Ground before 21,099 fans — the best crowd after six matches of the international Soccer series.

Forest had beaten United 2-1 at Old Trafford and 2-0 at home in the last match of the English first division.

United was on the attack early and winger Tommy Hutchinson blasted from 12 metres, only to see Forest goalkeeper Steve Sutton smother the ball.

Forest hit back with an

assault from left striker Colin Walsh, but United's blond goalkeeper Gary Bailey blocked easily.

Manchester striker Mark Hughes hit the target in the eighth minute after latching onto a lovely defence-splitting 35 metre ball by midfielder Remi Moses.

Then chances, such as a delicate chip from Hughes tipped over the Forest crossbar by Sutton (21st minute), a 20 metre wide of the target (54th), and a delightful inswinging 20 metre free-kick by striker Frank Worthington which struck the base of the post, excited the spectators.

Forest almost equalised in the 58th minute when speedy right-back Viv Anderson nodded a ball into the box where midfielder Peter Davenport, spread on the floor, touched his shot onto United's post.

Another spectacular first time shot from Hutchinson flashed past the post.

The match was reasonably even, but with no prize money or trophy at stake, tackles lacked real bite and there was a definite absence of competitive commitment. It was virtually an exhibition match between two of England's so-called best teams.

Forest assistant manager Ron Fenton said: "I felt we could have drawn. Our goalkeeper Steve

Sutton had a good match. So did our two central defenders, Chris Fairclough and Des Walker.

"As for United, I felt Hutchinson and Worthington showed some real nice touches.

"We were a little unlucky with our shot that hit the underside of the crossbar."

NOTTINGHAM FOR-

EST: Sutton; Anderson, Walker, Fairclough, Swain, Bowyer, Hodge, Walsh; Wigley, Birtles (Mills 72), Davenport.

MAN UNITED: Bailey; Garton, Moran, McQueen, McGrath; Moses, Davies, Barnes; Hutchinson, Hughes, Worthington.

REFEREE: C. Bambridge. CROWD: 21,099.



MARK HUGHES: Manchester United's goalscorer against Nottingham Forest in Melbourne



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# QUIET MAN FENTON LEADS FOREST

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

NOTTINGHAM FOREST, the English First Division club, have a history dating back 129 years.

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And before anybody woke up, they squeezed past West Ham, Manchester United and Queens Park Rangers to finish third in the toughest league in the world.

Forest is an unfashionable club. They cannot boast a galaxy of stars like Man United or Liverpool.

But even so, with England right-back Viv Anderson and top striker Gary Birtles, Forest has been able to plant the seeds of consistency and branch out as a major

force in English Soccer.

Forest's main claim to fame is their highly publicised manager Brian Clough, a man many feel should be leading the England World Cup side instead of Bobby Robson.

"Cloughie", or "Super-Mouth", has always attracted the attention of the media.

For the last nine years he has been the boss at Forest.

For seven of those years, his assistant has been 43-year-old Ronnie Fenton, a very quietly spoken, well-educated man, previously manager of Notts County.

Much to the disappointment of the Australian



VIV ANDERSON media, Clough did not arrive with the Forest squad

ambitious, highly controversial, publicity-seeking Soccer man.

Here was a man who has had to live in the shadow of the mighty Clough, yet has avoided exposure to the point that few people, other than English managers and players, actually know who Ron Fenton really is.

I also detected a very strong element of Clough-loyalty.

During some of our short chats, Fenton repeatedly made complimentary references to Clough.

In the cut-throat business of Soccer, such solid loyalty is rare.

Fenton has all the qualities to be an efficient, solid manager himself. And Cloughie must believe this himself, allowing Fenton to take the Forest squad across the world on his own.

in Australia for the World Soccer Series.

Ron Fenton is in charge of the team for the tour, and I have found him to be a highly professional, co-operative, informative, knowledgeable and, above all, a very honest person. Not your everyday type of egotistical,

## THOMSON MAKES FIVE CHANGES

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

EDDIE THOMSON, coach of Australia "B", has made four changes to his side to meet Glasgow Rangers in tonight's match at the Hindmarsh Stadium.

Coming into the side will be Sydney City sweeper Alex Robertson, Preston left-back Con Opasinis, Marconi midfielder Tommy McCulloch and St George striker Robbie Slater.

John O'Shea will move from left-back to the right midfield position.

Pacey Saints striker Slater will partner Charlie Egan up front.

Robertson and McCulloch were released by Frank Arok from the Australian "A" team.

Thomson said: "I didn't ask for these two players but Frank Arok wants them to have a full run against Rangers."

"I want to be a little bit more adventurous and push forward more."

"I will give a roving role to the outside backs, Peter Lewis and Opasinis, as we are a bit disappointed after getting beaten in Brisbane by Rangers."

I asked Thomson if it was getting monotonous playing Rangers for the third time in 10 days.

"I'm getting sick of playing Rangers. They could have picked an easier team for us to play against!" said a smiling Thomson.

Sydney Olympic duo Jimmy Patikas and Peter Katholos have been left out of tonight's match. Katholos is being rested and Patikas is out injured with a badly bruised toe.



ALEX ROBERTSON and ROBBIE SLATER: two players who come into the Australian "B" team tonight

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CHARLIE JURISIC

They found the 58-year-old man gasping for breath and in a serious condition.

Rather than just wait for the ambulance to arrive, the two team officials went into action to relieve the patient, who recovered in hospital.

—JOHN ECONOMOS

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# HUTCHINSON IMPRESSED BY AUSSIES

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

**TOMMY HUTCHINSON's first impressions of Australian Soccer were interesting — to say the least. "Hectic like a pinball machine," was his summing-up.**

Hutchinson, who has represented Scotland in 17 internationals, is guest-

ing with the world-renowned club. Understandably,

Hutchinson was exhausted after the first game of the World Soccer Series. He flew into Sydney on match day after an 11-hour flight from Hong Kong.

Hutchinson, who plays for Hong Kong club Bulova during the English off-season, was impressed with Australia's performance in their 0-0 draw with United.

"They looked well organised, like some of the Hong Kong teams," he said.

"In Hong Kong, a lot of teams play as a very tight unit when they play at home. What they lack in skill they make up for in effort."

When Hutchinson moved to England from Scotland, the first club he played for was Blackpool.

There he played with Henry Mowbray, who



**TOMMY HUTCHINSON (left) challenged by Australia's left-back Graham Jennings.**

captained Sydney City to victory in the first year of the Philips League.

"Henry Mowbray and I played together at Blackpool. He played for Sydney City, and his old team-mate at that club, Eddie Thomson, is coaching the Australia 'B' team."

Hutchinson's only other association with Australia

lian Soccer was when he played against high-flying Marconi winger Peter Sharpe in Hong Kong.

"Sharpe was playing for Eastern and I was lining up for Bulova. It was a great game but we ran out victors," he said.

"In his first season in Hong Kong he was explosive; no-one could contain him. But in his second

year everyone knew what they were up against," Hutchinson added.

Hutchinson, who has played for three other British teams (Coventry, Manchester City and Burnley last year), is tight-lipped about his immediate playing future.

"Burnley had offered me a contract for next season and I have also re-

ceived offers from a First Division club and a Second Division club."

Hutchinson could be playing for a United contract during their current tour of Australia.

His ability will be tested when he faces some of the world's best defenders in Manchester United's match against Juventus at the SCG tomorrow night.



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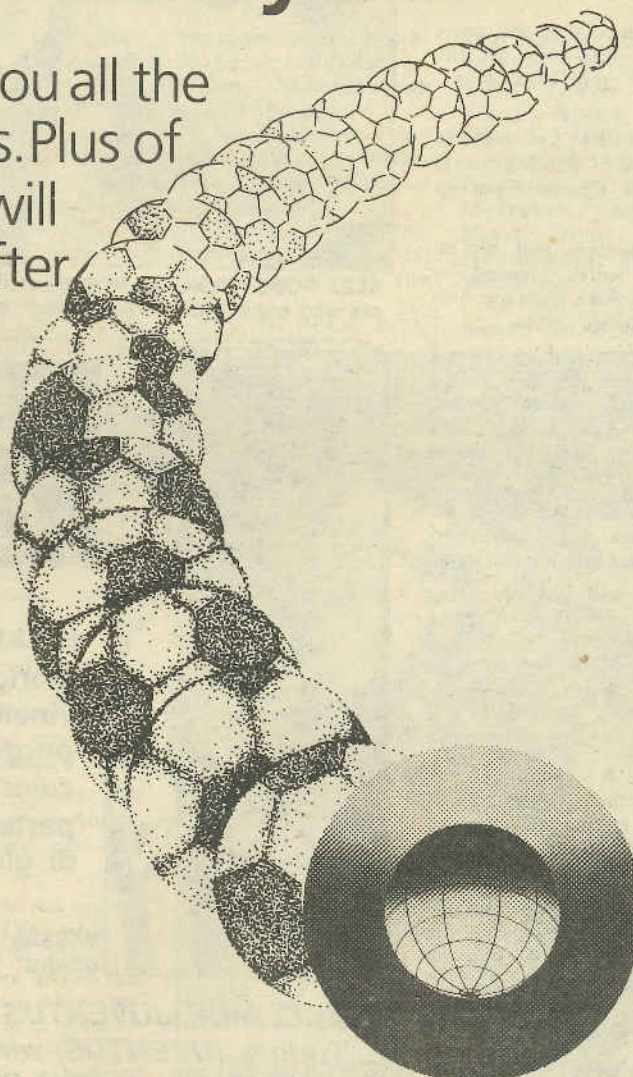
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# THE ITALIANS ARRIVE TO THRILL FANS

BY TOM ANDERSON

**BENVENUTO JUVE!** ... that's this week's AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY message to our distinguished visitors from Italy on behalf of all Australian sports fans.

It is indeed a great pleasure and honour to have such a great sporting team on these shores.

Especially an outfit filled with superstars who are household names in world football.

The Australian sporting public expects a block-busting show from the Italian champions at the SCG tomorrow night when they face their old European enemies ... Manchester United.

**'Juventus  
— a  
great  
club'**

And to be honest, if "la vecchia signora", the Old Lady of Italian Soccer, fails to produce the goods, it will be the biggest let-down on the Australian sporting scene for many years.

Manchester United have also the chance to redeem themselves after they fell from grace with the Sydney fans following their dismal opening match of the series against the Socceroos at the same venue.

But I'm sure United will rise to the occasion as they will not want to receive yet another defeat at the hands of Juventus this year.

The Englishmen are still trying to shake off the effects of their European Cup Winners Cup loss at the hands of the champion Italians.

In view of the Cup semi-final, this clash at the SCG tomorrow is a promoter's dream, and if this great bill can't pull the paying customers into the SCG then nothing can!

This game has received an extra boost by the magnificent European Champions Cup final between Liverpool and Roma last Thursday morning.

Juventus have proven themselves a better team than Roma by winning the Italian championship, so the scene is set for a spectacular at the SCG.

The Juventus club is without doubt the most popular in Italy and has a strong link with the Fiat organisation.

In fact in the early 1930s, it was this link and



ZIB BONIEK

the big financial aid from the Agnelli family, the proprietors of Fiat, that put Juventus on the map.

Over this period Juventus won five championships in succession and completely dominated the Italian club scene.

This big financial support enabled Juventus to import stars from throughout the world — a practice they still operate with French World Cup captain Michel Platini and Polish World Cup star Zib Boniek at present in their line-ups.

In the past, some of Juve's star imports have included Argentineans Raimondo "Mumo" Orsi, Luisito Monti, Renato Cesarini and all-time great Omar Sivori, Brazilians Jose Altafini and Cinesinho, Welsh giant John Charles, Hungarian Viola, Danes Karl Aage Hansen, John Hansen and Carl Praest and Spaniard Luis Del Sol, to name a few.

They have also had numerous overseas managers including a Scotsman by the name of Aitken, a famous Englishman from Liverpool in Jesse Carver (maybe the Juventus club had an insight of what great heights Liverpool were going to reach in present day world Soccer!) and an Hungarian, Gyorgy Sarosi.

The feeling in the Australian Italian community over the visit of this famous club can only be described as overwhelming.

Well-known Radio 2EA sportscaster Tony Palumbo summed up the situation to a tee.

"I don't think that the Italian community really believed that Juventus would actually get to Australia," Palumbo said.

"Many, many times in the past we have been led

to believe that some of the great Italian clubs were coming here, only to be let down at the last moment.

"Now this tour has actually happened it is hard to comprehend.

"Juventus are a great club and we are all very proud of them and their wonderful record in the past and this year.

"Also the Australian Italian community are keen to welcome the Juventus national team players who helped to win the World Cup for Italy in Spain in 1982.

"I think that there is a great feeling within the community that now we have the opportunity to show our appreciation to Juventus and their famous players for the great pleasure they have given us over the years.

"I'm sure that they will respond in marvellous fashion by displaying their talents to the best of their ability on the field here in Australia.

"It's a great occasion which I'm sure will be a big success."

As the saying goes, "the proof of the pudding is in the eating", and Juventus' Australian debut at the SCG tomorrow night will be watched with great interest by all and sundry.

If it is the success that it promises to be, and there's no reason why it shouldn't, then the door will be open for future visits from other superstar teams from Italy.

The ball is in the Juventus court — it's up to them to score the desired goal.

I have no doubt their proud tradition and undoubted talent will further endear them to the hearts of their supporters and win them hordes of new admirers here in Australia!



CLAUDIO GENTILE

## BENVENUTO CAMPIONE



La JUVENTUS di MELBOURNE da' il benvenuto alla consorella italiana

nome e, a nome dei dirigenti, giocatori e sportivi tutti, le augura una stupenda affermazione anche su suolo australiano. I bianconeri, che si fregiano dello scudetto italiano e di quello

europeo, saranno graditissimi ospiti della JUVENTUS di MELBOURNE, al Town Hall di St. Kilda, la sera del 10 giugno.

**MELBOURNE JUVENTUS take this opportunity to extend the warmest welcome to Turin's glorious team, winner of the Italian Championship and the European Cup Winners' Cup. They will be feted in the course of a dinner at the St. Kilda Town Hall on June 10, thus providing an opportunity for these Soccer stars to meet their many fans.**



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# ROUND UP



Sydney City's Willie Murray shields the ball from Adelaide City's Alex Tobin in the 0-0 draw at the Athletic Field

## SLICKERS DRAW, BUT QUALIFY

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

**DESPITE** being held to a scoreless draw against Adelaide City, Sydney City advanced through to the quarter-finals of the NSL Cup on goal difference.

Sydney City only have themselves to blame for not-winning this game.

They created enough opportunities to score goals but were thwarted by a superb goalkeeping display by Adelaide City keeper Willie McNally.

McNally saved everything directed into the goalmouth area bar a header by Sydney City captain Murray Barnes which rattled the crossbar in the 60th minute.

In the 76th minute, McNally brilliantly parried a penalty attempt around the goalpost by Willie Murray after Grant Lee was judged to be fouled in the penalty area.

Adelaide City's best chance to break

the deadlock fell to Charlie Villani but his free attempt at the Sydney City goal flew over the crossbar.

Best players for Sydney City were right back Ean Rodrigues, midfielder Paul Kay and Murray was threatening on the break.

McNally stood out in a spirited display from Adelaide City.

**SYDNEY CITY:** Clarke, Rodrigues, K.Falconer, Barnes, Lynch, Kay (Bottalico 65), Lee, P.Falconer, Fletcher, De Marigny, Murray.

**ADELAIDE CITY:** McNally, Chechre, Nyskohus, Tobin, Flounders, Melita, Scarpa, Villani, Mullen, Maxwell, Tolerico.

## LIDDELL MAKES AMENDS

BY BRAD EARL

**FRANK LIDDELL** went close to putting Brisbane City into the quarter-finals of the NSL Cup with a goal to give his side a 2-1 victory over Sydney Croatia at King Tomislav Park.

However, Brisbane Lions pushed City out with a late winner over Marconi.

City coach Joe Gilroy said things could have been different if centre-back Liddell hadn't scored an own goal to give Marconi victory the week before — with the last kick of the match.

"Yet today Frank scored the winner, which gave us a chance," said Gilroy, who was impressed by Croatia. "They have a lot of skill and ability, but we had the fighting qualities needed for a Cup-tie."

Mick Milovanovic has added a lot of strength to the Brisbane City defence, and former Socceroos, right-back Steve Perry and goalie Kim Wishart, played vital roles with their experience.

Croatia opened the scoring nine minutes after half-time, when Wally Savor pounced with a low left foot shot after poor attempts to clear the ball by the visitors' defence.

Four minutes later, Brisbane City made a breakaway from their own penalty area. Croatia keeper Steve Watson came out of his area to clear, only to miscue the ball to Bobby Hamilton, who shot into an empty net from 30 metres.

The 76th minute winner was a simple near post header to a corner, scored by Liddell.

Croatia's desperate attempts for an equaliser were thwarted as the match finished in exciting fashion.

However, the move of tall and fearless Graham Arnold to his usual position of striker from central midfield came too late.

**SYDNEY CROATIA:** Watson; Woods, Tomasich, Sterrey, M.Kovacic; Rezo, Arnold, Clinch; Savor (Meades 76), Borges, Boden.

**BRISBANE CITY:** Wishart; Perry, Bromfield, Milovanovic, Liddell; Swan (Falco 67), Pimblett, Hamilton, Fabrizio; Scriggins (Mengotti 64), Glockner.

REFEREE: G.Warne. CROWD: 1,520.

## PENALTY GAMBLE

BY GREG RUSSELL

**A CONTROVERSIAL** late penalty gave Brisbane Lions a 1-0 win over Marconi and a surprise passage into the quarter-finals.

Brisbane referee Alan Kibbler awarded the penalty only four minutes from time when Steve Calderan brought down Lions sweeper Roddy Vasquez, who was attempting to dribble his way into a scoring position.

Vasquez undoubtedly made the most of the tackle, and if took a long hard look before Kibbler made his decision.

Former Lions captain Alan Niven was entrusted with the crucial kick and drove his shot straight and hard, gambling that Bruce James would dive — a gamble which paid off.

The penalty decision was a cruel end to what had been a thrilling cup-tie.

Both teams knew a win was necessary for them to topple group favourites Sydney Croatia.

The game was highlighted by end-to-end action, but really came to life when 10 minutes from time an announcement was made that Brisbane City was leading Croatia in Sydney.

A draw at Richlands would have seen City go through, while a win for either Lions or Marconi would ensure them a quarter-final berth.

Both teams threw everything into attack and the keepers were called on repeatedly to make point-blank saves.

But the game should have been rapped up long before the penalty. Lions had hit the woodwork twice, and Marconi once, while Lions keeper Rob Farrow twice threw himself at Rod Brown's feet to smother goalward-bound shots.

Lions too had ample scoring opportunities, with striker Jim McDonagh having five shots on goal in one 13 minute period.

Marconi coach Les Scheinflug was disappointed to lose on what he called "a dive by Vasquez", but conceded his side had the opportunities to win the game.

**BRISBANE LIONS:** Farrow, Jackson, bharlton, Vasquez, Niven, R.Stewart, J.Stewart, Ogden, Fulton (Hunter 89), McDonagh, Junna.

**MARCONI:** James, Carter, Mariani, Calderan, Driene, Carbone (Markovski 71), Spanos, Mason, Lowe, Brown, Licata.

## DEREK LAING'S WRETCHED LUCK

BY KEITH GILMOUR

**DEREK LAING** had every reason to rue his first full match selection for Parramatta Melita in their 1-0 win over Canberra.

Laing took a solid kick on the hand in the 54th minute and had to be immediately replaced.

He had been training

with the club all year and his clearance from Canterbury only recently came through.

Once again the Arrows

lost by the odd goal, and the man that gave them trouble, particularly in the first half, was former Canberra player John Davies.

It was Davies who slipped his 27th minute free-kick to Ken Wilson, who blasted the ball in for Melita's 1-0 win.

Canberra pressed hard in the second half in an energetic bid to get on top. Twice Tom Sermanni had chances and on the second occasion he all but chipped Melita goalkeeper Bill Londres.

In the final stages Melita's replacement forward Len Vial was twice far too tentative with his shots and Canberra's Manis Lamond lost control at the last split-second when a goal was definitely on.

**PARRA MELITA:** Londres, McDonald, Tredinick, McAusland, Wilson, Allan, Laing (Vial 54), Davies, Duarte (Gregson 75), Johnston, McKie.

**CANBERRA:** Hummel, Ontong (Brockbank 46), Jones, Hogg, Harkins, Redmond, Mihailidis, Sermanni, Phillips, Gibson, Perinovic (Lamond 64).

REFEREE: T.Seacy. CROWD: 1,150.

## MELBOURNE GIANTS

BY CON NIKOLOPOULOS

**DRAWCARDS** South Melbourne, Heidelberg United and Preston have been swept out of the 1984 NSL Cup.

Melbourne Croatia and Footscray are the only Victorian teams left in the Cup.

**CROATIA** advanced to the quarter-finals with a spectacular 4-1 win over Heidelberg at Olympic Park.

Croatia led 2-1 at half-time with goals from Josip Biskic and Tommy Cumming.

Scott Patterson pulled one back from the penalty spot before half-time to keep Heidelberg in the game. But since Heidelberg were reduced to nine men in the second half, the game drifted away from them, and Croatia added another two goals by Markovac.

Referee Peter Rampley sent off Steve Winn right on half-time for alleged foul language, and Pat-

erson in the 51st minute for constant infringements of the law.

**PRESTON** easily accounted for Green Gully with a comfortable 3-1 win.

Peter Ollerton's experienced side looked winners from the beginning and strengthened their grip in the first few minutes when full-back Ljube Petrovski scored the first goal.

Outstanding Robert Dunn doubled the margin, cutting short Gully's efforts to stay in the game.

Paul Lewis nette for Green Gully, sparking hopes of a draw, but their recovery was short-lived as Graham Heys responded with the third goal to put the result beyond doubt.

## BOW OUT

**SOUTH MELBOURNE** ended their run in the Cup on a high note by defeating Footscray 1-0.

Their win proved fruitless because of bad results in earlier rounds.

John Yzendoorn scored the solitary goal immediately after the resumption, increasing the determination of his team to achieve a high score and possible advancement into the quarter-finals on goal difference.

Footscray defended desperately, however, and maintained the low deficit that assured them a position in the last eight.

**BRUNSWICK JUVENUS** bowed out of the competition with their decision to field a junior side in their cup-tie with George Cross.

With nothing at stake,

Juventus fielded only two senior players, Fab Incantalupo and Paul Drinoczky. The rest were members of their youth team.

It is little wonder they were thrashed 2-4.

Richardson opened the scoring for George Cross after three minutes to lead his team to their most convincing win of the season.

Rod MacLaren added the second goal and Bobby Toal made it 3-0 from the penalty spot.

An own goal by Campbell gave Juventus some breathing space, but Jovanovic netted the fourth goal for George Cross to kill the youngsters' hopes of salvaging a draw.

Juventus' second goal came from Minichiello in the dying minutes.



JOHN DAVIES





## EARLY GOAL ENOUGH FOR LEICHHARDT

A GOAL after just two minutes by Kerry Caban was enough to give Leichhardt a 1-0 win over an improved Wollongong City at Towradgi Park.

The victory gave Leichhardt a 100 per cent record in the Cup — three wins without conceding a goal.

BY PHIL MURPHY

Wollongong battled on doggedly without really looking a threat but this has been their big problem all season.

Caban found plenty of room for himself to head

home a John Bradley corner from the left to give Leichhardt a great start.

They could have added two more in the second half but for fine saves by reinstated Wolves goalkeeper Natch Vardareff.

Vardareff did well to grab a Tony Morsello shot before showing his agility in handling a header from Bradley.

Wollongong's best

chance fell to Alex Bundalo in the first half but his shot was pushed over the top by goalkeeper Bob Parkes.

Leichhardt always looked a yard faster than Wollongong in midfield where Bradley and Tredinnick showed their domination.

Larry Gaffney in the midfield and left full-back Phil Kerr were the pick of

the Wollongong team.

WOLLONGONG: Vardareff, Isedale (Kotamanidis 19), Vlietstra, Hristovski, Kerr, Gaffney, Beggs, Bundalo, Willis, Fontana (Condron 45), Gibson.

LEICHHARDT: Parkes, Bozanic, Brown, Bertogna, Van Egmond, Bradley, Butler (Genovese 79), Tredinnick, Caban, De Ceglie, Morsello.

## BOOGAARD A SOCCEROO?

ASKS NEIL JAMESON

MIKE BOOGAARD for World Cup selection?

The unlikely prospect was further enhanced following Newcastle Rosebud's 4-1 NSL Cup demolition of St George at Adamstown Oval.

Boogaard, as complete a central defender as the current NSL is likely to provide, not only marked

deadly Dez Marton out of the game, but provided the opening for the first goal and spectacularly scored the last.

Boogaard opened Saints up in the second minute with a first-time pass that set winger Dean Milosevic away. His cut-

back pass in the box saw striker Derek Todd arrive to score the neatest of goals.

Fifteen minutes later, Bernard Kerby hit the Saints upright with a cracking drive, but the visitors rallied when the effervescent Pedro Ricoy

put Mark Barton through in the 34th minute to score a stunning equaliser.

The half-time applause indicated the entertainment value of the first session, but better was to follow.

In the 49th minute, Todd turned two defenders inside out on the left to beat keeper Warwick Young on the near post.

Three minutes later, Ralph Maier made it 3-1 when he collected the ball from a goalmouth clearance, dummied past a wall of defenders, and coolly slotted the ball past Young.

In the 74th minute, Marton departed to appreciative applause, and Boogaard, relishing the freedom, roamed upfield. The reward for his near-excellence came in the 83rd minute when, from 22 metres, he stroked home a delightful first-time chance.

NEWCASTLE: Gosling, Maier, Power, Boogaard, Thompson, Kerby, Senkalski, Brandt, Milosevic, Jones, Todd.

ST GEORGE: Young, Papas, Danaskos, Barton, Zantides (Spirovski 78), Koczka, Ricoy, Stone, Bat-ten, Petkovski, Marton (Polias 74).

REFEREE: J.Reeves. CROWD: 1,500.

## NOT CLIVE'S DAY

BY KEITH GILMOUR

IT wasn't Clive Eaton's day when Blacktown City drew 0-0 with West Adelaide in an even encounter at the Gabbie Stadium.

Whilst he sniffed out three great first half opportunities, not one of them found the net.

On two occasions Westad goalkeeper Gary Sproul denied Eaton with well judged dives, but in both cases a little better placement would have brought some reward.

With Nick Malavazos looking a good prospect in the West Adelaide front-line, the South Australia

lians pegged away for the full 90 minutes.

On the day big Chris Manou worked well, along with Graham Honeyman and Steve Baker in particular.

Adam Sandy was the Demon who caused the most havoc. Defenders Ian Shaw and Rob Wheatley had superb games.

But keep an eye out for Brian Ellem, 16, who

looked sharp as Gary Byrne's replacement for the second half. He showed out even though he had already played a tough 90 minutes for the youth team the same morning.

BLACKTOWN: Hoare, Wheatley, Shaw, Dunleavy, Thornthwaite, Selvage, Welbourne, Byrne (Ellem 46), Sandy, Quarmby, Eaton.

## PLENTY OF GOALS IN YOUTH CUP

BY PETER RUSSELL

IT was another goal glut for the National Youth League teams in the second round of the Cup, with 27 goals in the six matches played — including a hat-trick to Sydney Slickers' reserve keeper!

At Adamstown Oval, Marconi continued their good Cup form, beating Newcastle 4-0.

The Fairfielders were rarely troubled and raced to a three-goal lead at the break.

The second half was a lot tighter and former Socceroo Peter Sharne grabbed the only goal of that period. Marconi's other scorers were Ian Reid, Ricky Monsalve and Tony Marino.

Croatia surprised many critics with two goals to win over Cup favourites Canberra Arrows.

John Peulic opened the scoring for Croatia in the first half, and they managed to hang on to their lead until late in the match when Frank Madafarri grabbed an equaliser for the Arrows.

Croatia scored the winner through Bernie Godzik.

At Melita Stadium, it

was another nail-biter between Blacktown City and Penrith.

Only a 72nd minute goal by Blacktown's ever-improving Brian Ellem separated the teams.

In a nine-goal thriller at the Sydney Athletic Field, the Slickers just edged out Leichhardt 5-4.

Slickers reserve keeper Jimmy Konistis, who helped to take the first team into the pre-season Ampol Cup Final, has been playing in the field due to the loss of players on international duty.

Last week Jimmy scored a well-taken goal, and this week did even better with a hat-trick, including a last-minute winner.

Slickers' other goals were scored by skipper Graeme Patterson.

Leichhardt came back from being four goals down at half-time with goals from Mario Coiro, Ali Jaffar and Bruno Beddoni.

They thought they had pulled off a miracle when Coiro got his second and the equaliser with just two minutes left, but they were denied by Konistis' last-minute winner.

The surprise of the round must be Melita Eagles' home defeat at the hand of wooden-spooners Wollongong Wolves, 5-2.

The Eagles lost midfielder Andy Callanan in the 65th minute when he was sent off, but the Wolves had already built up a handy 3-1 lead through Darren Nees (two) and Tony Corradini.

Peter Rogers and Ray Farrell were the other Wolves scorers, whilst the Eagles' two goals were netted by Tony Lewis.

At Marconi Stadium, Olympic proved to be the stronger of two weakened sides when they had a comfortable 3-0 win over St George.

Olympic led at half-time with that scoreline with goals from George Anderlakis, Nicky Siataris and Alex Koussas.



Penrith City two-goal hero, Randell Easthorpe, loses out in this challenge from Olympic's Tony Dakos

## SCHOOLBOY STARS FOR PANTHERS

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

PENRITH striker Randell Easthorpe emerged as the hero in his team's 3-0 drubbing of Sydney Olympic at the Sydney Athletic Field.

Easthorpe, who displayed his scoring prowess with two well-taken goals in the 86th and 88th minutes, adding to teammate David Fitzharris' first half goal.

The NSL newcomers had every reason to celebrate because they advanced to the Cup quarter-finals.

Sydney Olympic didn't create clearcut scoring chances and relied on long shots from outside

the Penrith penalty area.

On the other hand, Penrith looked dangerous pushing forward, particularly in counter-attacking movements.

Olympic president Jim Petinellis was disappointed with the result but added that the NSL competition is more important.

"Next time we play them in the NSL it will be a different story. We'll beat them for sure,"

Petinellis promised.

PENRITH: Gibson, Brogan, Hale, Daley, McIntosh, Fitzharris, Wotherspoon, Ainsworth (Colusso 65), Cotton (Hunter 72), E5sthorpe, Jackson.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier, Nocera, Lambropoulos, Dakos, Coady, Phillips, Tsingalas (Kaltantzis 61), Theodorakopoulos, Naumov, Patalis, Koussas.

REFEREE: G.Power. CROWD: 1,000.



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BRISBANE CITY SOCCER CLUB, (formerly Azzurri), wish to welcome JUVENTUS to Australia and wish the team every success in the current World Soccer Series.

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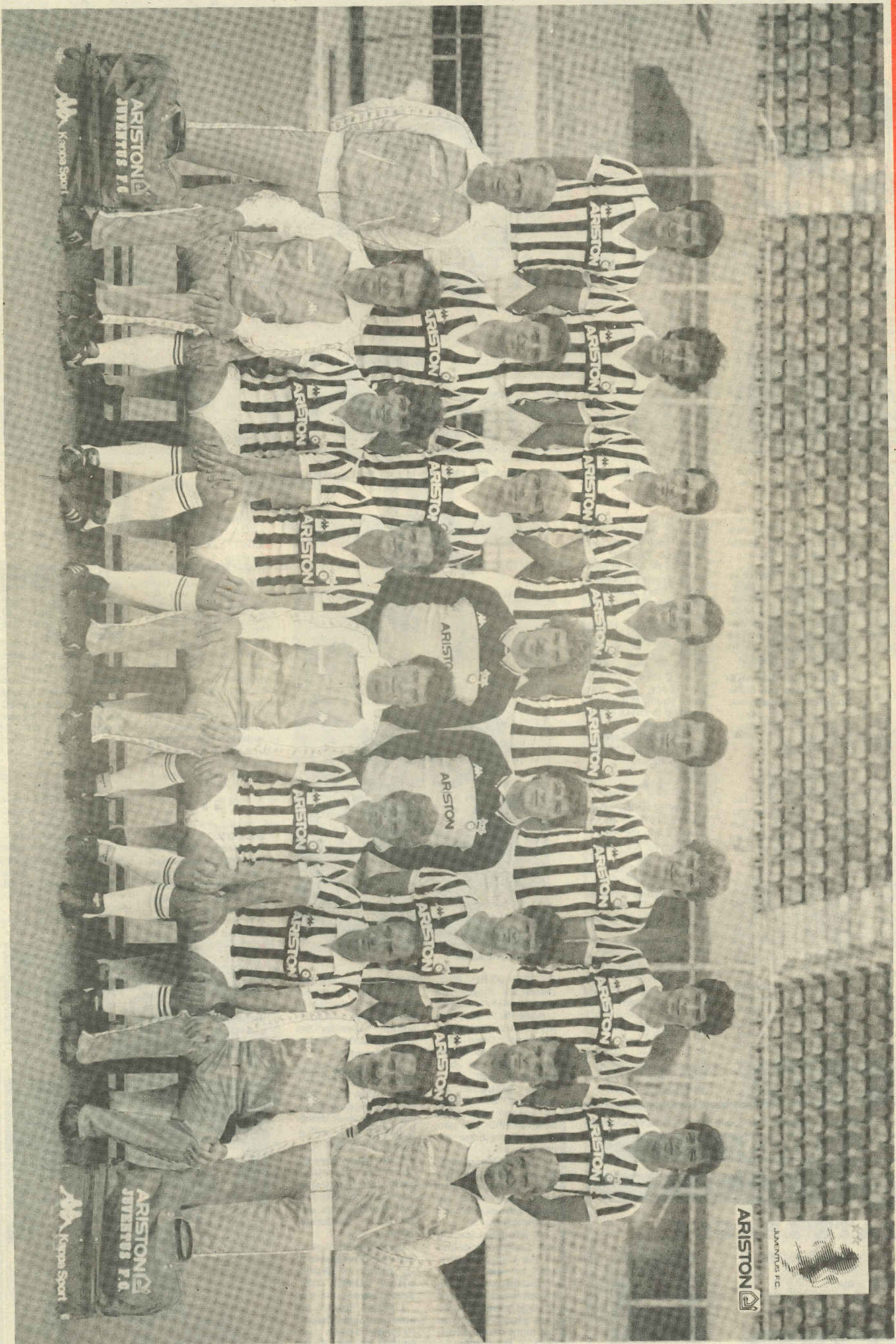
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# JUVENTUS - CUP WINNERS CUP VICTORS





# CHIT HAT



**TWO** Wollongong City players have a special reason to remember playing in the NSL Cup this season.

In Wollongong's games, they conceded two own goals.

Against Newcastle, Glenn Fontana put one in his own net after dropping back to help out his defence.

Four days later, Grant Isedale suffered the same fate playing his first full game in the side in his regular role of full-back.

In both games Wollongong went down 1-2.

Fontana, who is the team's recognised striker, had to put up with a few remarks from team-mates.

Goalkeeper Ron Tised didn't mince words.

"If it had been at the other end you would have put it over the top," the keeper said.

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If gates and entertainment come into any consideration, consideration could have been given to including a couple Newcastle favourites like Mike Boogaard and Joe Senkalski in the "B" team for the Rangers match.

**QUOTABLE** quotes:

"Marconi probably had a quarter-million dollars worth of players out there... I had two-and-six worth," Brisbane Lions coach Harry Noon after his team's narrow loss to Marconi.

"I went down like the Titanic for that one," Parramatta Melita goalkeeper Alec McPherson describing the goal he conceded in Melita's 0-1 NSL Cup loss to Penrith.

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**ADELAIDE CITY** has imported two guest players from Italy.

Tommaso Talarico is a 27-year-old striker, from second division club Novara, and Nello Scarpa is a 30-year-old midfielder who played first division with Perugia and Avellino.

Scarpa is a visa player and Talarico will make 10 guest appearances.

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NSWASF president Ian Holmes was pleased to see two products of the Canterbury District represent Australia against Manchester United.

"It was great to see Tony Pezzano make his debut for Australia. Although Peter Ras-kopoulos was a late substitute, I'm sure we'll see more of him in the series," he said.

Holmes was president of the Canterbury District Junior Association in the mid '70s when both Pezzano and Ras-kopoulos were hailed as potential stars while playing in the district's representative sides.

**JUVENTUS** have arrived in Australia, and one of their key players is Marco Tardelli.

While he was in Australia, Tommy Docherty told a story about the no-nonsense Italian defender.

"Manchester United were playing a Cup game in Europe," Docherty said. "After the game, David McCreery, who was quite young at the time, went up to shake hands with Tardelli.

"Instead, Tardelli thumped him!" Docherty concluded.

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**YOUNG** striker Tony Corradini is being blooded into the NSL by Wollongong City coach Adrian Alston.

He was used as a replacement in Cup games against Newcastle and St George after showing up in the youth team.

Corradini joined Wollongong this season from Fairy Meadow.

He played in that club's Under 18 team last season and scored 33 goals. He has a knack of turning a half-chance in to a goal and Alston feels he can establish himself in the first team before the end of the season.



MARCO TARDELLI (left) pictured during the 1982 World Cup final against West Germany.



TONY CORRADINI

**PETER STERLING**, rated by many the world's best Rugby League half-back, enjoyed his stay with Liverpool's Craig Johnston when he toured England with the Kangaroos in 1982.

The Australia "A" team and the NSW Rugby League side were both at the Camperdown Travelodge recently.

After the Manchester United game, Sterling told a couple of the Australian players of his biggest disappointment on the tour.

"It was great staying with Craig and meeting all the Liverpool players," he said.

"But I was upset with myself when I incurred an injury and had to have physiotherapy on the night of the Liverpool v Newcastle FA Cup tie."

**THE APIA** and Marconi Soccer clubs for the first time ever have joined forces to put on a spectacular night for the visiting Italian champions, Juventus.

On Thursday night, June 14, at the Marconi Club, APIA and Marconi are staging a five-course banquet dinner in honour of Juventus' visit to Australia.

Invited guests are the Juventus travelling party, the Australian Soccer team, NSW Premier Neville Wran and the Italian Consulate-General.

Outside the club, there will be a spectacular fireworks display with "JUVENTUS" written across the sky.

Limited tickets are now on sale through Frank Sbisa on 810 0187 or Keith Charles on 610 2222.

**CANBERRA ARROWS** coach Doug Collins hasn't had much luck forming a central defence combination this year.

Collins was very impressed by young Braden Shields, but he was injured after two NSL games.

He then signed Peter Burke from Newcastle, only to watch as he broke his leg in the Cup match against Penrith.

That meant a return to defensive duties for midfielder Steve Hogg, who filled in alongside stopper Tony Redmond earlier in the season.

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**SECOND-PLACED** Parramatta Melita will play NSL leaders Sydney City twice in eight days upon the resumption of the League later this month.

They have been matched together in the Intra-Conference round, and then play a "normal" match the following week.

Eagles midfielder Alec Jamieson reckons that Melita will make it a week of misery for Slickers coach Eddie Thomson.

**"FREEZE!** Put your hands in the air while we search the premises."

These may have been words the police used when they raided NSWASF registrar Frank Broughton's house recently.

Neighbours thought he was running an SP bookie ring... because people are ringing and visiting his house at all hours with Soccer matters.

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**ONE** of Australia's young rising stars, Frank Farina, had a pleasant surprise before the first game of the World Soccer Series recently.

His father flew all down from Port Moresby to see his son.

"It's great to see Dad. I'm surprised he was able to put back his work commitments for a couple of days," Farina said.

Although he didn't play in the first game, Farina looks assured of a successful future in the Green and Gold colours of Australia.



FRANK FARINA (centre)

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# JOHNS JOINS ROSEBUDS

BY NEIL JAMESON

**NEWCASTLE ROSEBUDS UNITED** have strengthened their NSL squad by the inclusion of striker Andy Johns on loan from Weston.

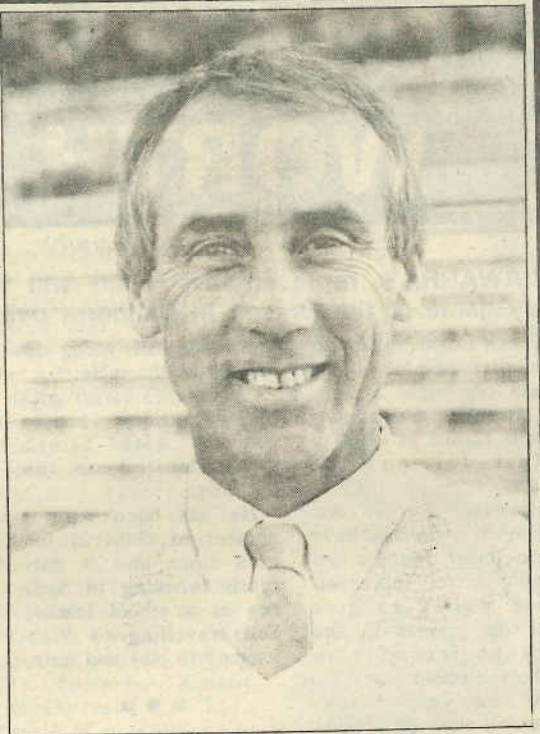
The 23-year-old striker was the Northern NSW 1983 Player of the Year, and is considered one of the finer players to go round in the North in the past five years.

Johns was a former Welsh Youth international who arrived in Australia and bypassed the NSL ranks to play with Weston in the Northern NSW Federation.

Having played in defence, midfield and up-front, Johns is considered an extremely versatile

type who could slot into a utility role. But his ability as a striker could be just the remedy Newcastle coach Willie Gallagher requires to convert his side's recent run of close results into much-needed victories.

Under Gallagher's firm control, Rosebuds are definitely on the improve and determined not to have to take advantage of their "protected" region status by finishing in the relegation zone.



WILLIE GALLAGHER

# LEWIS' FAILURE TO FIT IN

**THE failure of Paul Lewis to make an impact at South Melbourne confirms the fact that the 11 best players in a club do not necessarily make the same team.**

Lewis, a prolific scorer in recent seasons, would have been an almost automatic choice in any team in Australia, yet when he joined South Melbourne the team failed to "click".

One of the reasons for this is that coach Len McKendry has a big preference for a 4-4-2 formation.

He has used this formation, with only two strikers, almost exclusively since he went to Melbourne from Sydney several years ago.

At Heidelberg, he had Jamie Paton and Gary Cole as twin strikers; at South Melbourne it was Charlie Egan and Doug Brown.

Then along came Lewis and he had to be fitted in

somewhere, so McKendry went against his preference and played with three strikers.

However, McKendry was never really happy with the accommodation of Lewis, and whenever things were going wrong on the field it was often Lewis who came off.

Since the return of Lewis to his old club Green Gully, South Melbourne is still spluttering without consistency in style, or in the picking up of points.

It has top players but they are not, as yet able to coordinate as a team.

In the past, McKendry has been noted for his ability to produce a good team performance, sometimes at the expense of individual flair.



BY MIKE JOHNSON

Often a long spell at one club can hide the weaknesses in a coach.

When a coach is successful over an extended period at a club he becomes fully accepted by players, committee and spectators.

They look to his strengths rather than his weaknesses.

The coach knows thoroughly the make-up of his players and of his key committeemen, and this is a great advantage.

Frank Arok and Eddie Thomson enjoy this privileged position at the moment.

Once they leave the shelter of this position, things can change... as they did for Gerry Chaldi, who also had outstanding success at Sydney City, but had West Adelaide down the bottom of the league and did not last there.

John Watkiss had a similar situation at Sutherland where he had stayed for seven successful years.

I had a similar four-year spell at Sutherland and was just commencing a further five-year contract, when I was offered the St George job.

Unlike Frank Arok, I found it anything but a haven.

As you move from club to club it is a great test of your flexibility, if you wish to survive.

Probably the weakness in Len McKendry's make up to date has been a certain inflexibility in his methods and approach to players.

His recent movements to various clubs will be of major benefit to him, especially if he can survive his current test at South Melbourne and find the success that would consolidate his coaching career.

# KUZE VISA REFUSED

BY BRAD EARL

**SYDNEY CROATIA** received a major setback in their battle to lift themselves from the NSL relegation zone when Josef Kuze was refused a visa to return to Australia from Yugoslavia.

Following Mick Jones' resignation as coach — three weeks after the sacking of Atti Abonyi — Croatia decided to bring back Kuze.

Under Kuze's control, Croatia took out the State League championship and Grand Final double in 1983. Bill Bicanic, a committee member, is looking after the NSL squad as caretaker coach.

# CASH FOR SAINTS

BY JOHN ECONOMOS

**ST GEORGE** are close to completing negotiations for a substantial sponsorship for two years.

St George official Anthony Balazsi said: "I cannot disclose anything at the moment. All I can say is that we have secured a five-figure cash sponsorship, plus a product to be used as the club requires."

Details are expected to be finalised within the next three weeks.

# PICK THE AUSSIES

I HAVE been following the NSL now for about four years, and it has become distastefully apparent to me that clubs are relying too heavily on second-rate English players to form their teams.

The sad fact is that these players who have been rejected in Britain deprive Australian youngsters of NSL football.

One fact which I find totally disgusting on international level is that the British players often go on to represent Australia in international fixtures. For example, in the current "International Squad", names like Watson, Cant, Robertson, Egan, Brown, Murphy and Ratcliffe, appear. All these players are from Britain and all have been rejected or rather didn't make the grade in their own country.

It's high time the ASF woke up to itself and stopped this debacle which is currently taking place. Let's face it, these British "Aussies" have less patriotic feeling than the local boys in playing for Australia.

We have proven that our local talent matches that of the world with youth results. Such players of international standard as Patikas, Whately, Crino, Katholos, Davidson, Jennings, Raskopoulos, Yankos, Dakos, Kosmina, Soper, etc should be in our national team. If we lose, we lose as Australian, not as second rate Brits.

MICHAEL DANIAS, Enmore, NSW.

# THINK ABOUT THE PUBLIC

AFTER viewing the recent dismal Australia "A" v Man Utd match, I'm beginning to wonder what's more important — the record book or the paying public.

Frank Arok says it was a great result, but probably 5,000 people have vowed "never again". Mr Arok — great coach as he may be — will have to, I believe, for the sake of the public, open up his tactical formation. Man Utd should be taken up for a case of "False Pretences".

Both parties must share the blame as future games should see an (Open) Australia v (The

# READERS FORUM

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Real) Man Utd. Then we will see 45,000 at that type of game. Take away Joe Watson and the game was a farce.

Australia "B" v Glasgow Rangers, on the other hand, was more open and entertaining although no goals were scored. Two supposedly inferior teams playing superior Soccer. It was also refreshing to hear coach Eddie Thomson's comment after making a substitution: "I want to win the game, not draw it."

Come on Australia, let's make this great game of ours "ENTERTAINING". CHRIS SPILAREWICZ, Tahmoor, NSW.

# BENEFITS FOR REFS

ONCE again this year, many Soccer associations have experienced a shortage of referees.

In some cases the number of new teams joining a district outnumber the number of people becoming referees. I, as a referee, believe that if we are to get more recruits some benefits should be available to referees. By this I mean that all referees should have free access to NSL matches as well as international matches. This could easily be done by having an ID card with a picture. We

already have IDs, but the use of a picture would cut down any abuses that may occur.

I feel that a such move will be worthwhile. Referees, particularly junior refs, can only benefit from watching top refs in action.

Also I believe that the various district bodies on behalf of referees should seek sponsors.

CARLOS M. BIELLI, Kings Cross, NSW.

# NOT ALL PRAISE FOR JOHN

AFTER viewing many Sydney City matches, I very bitterly can say that John Kosmina and many fellow players should not get all the credit they are receiving.

Soccer is a great sport that should be clean. I cannot believe how any person can place John Kosmina as the Australian captain, even though he is a good player. If you can't be a good sport, don't play Soccer, or anything for that matter.

Sydney Olympic, South Melbourne and St George put up with it, but I doubt if Juventus and Manchester United will.

So watch out John, and Sydney City.

LEAH, Rose Bay, NSW.

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PAUL LEWIS (left): unsuccessful at South Melbourne



# NO HOLDING TRIXIE BACK

TRIXIE TAGG, with her daughter only six months old, has wasted no time in getting back in to Soccer.

This young mum played with St George Association before having her family and recently turned out with the Arncliffe Scots side in the Metropolitan League.

eration had decided on the last weekend of June for the camp.

Accommodation has been reserved for 36 women Soccer players at the camp.

"The camp will be

will be also help train potential keepers.

The senior State coach, Alan Lytton, will be present and negotiations for two NSL coaches are underway. Trixie said that she too — would be taking a hand in the training.

"We hope to have three or four sessions on the Saturday," Trixie said. "This will all depend on how the training goes and how interested the girls become. It will be quite flexible."

The main attraction for the afternoon will be the appearance of the senior State squad at the camp. They will be mixed in with the "trainees" in a series of seven-a-side games.

"It will be just the thing for the younger players to be able to play alongside the girls chosen to represent their State," said Trixie. "It will give them that extra incentive to play well."

I asked Trixie if the Sunday morning sessions would interfere with the girls playing matches on a Sunday.

"The girls will be allowed to leave the camp at any time on Sunday to get to their games. There will be no restrictions placed on them to complete the camp if they are needed for a match," she said.

"We hope to boost the individual skills and raise the standard of women's Soccer with the camp training. The emphasis will be on applying the match skills to competition situations. We will not be divorcing the two issues as they are part and parcel of the whole situation," said Trixie.

Trixie said that she would like women and girls interested in coming to the camp to telephone her on 74 1410 (evenings) so that arrangements can be made.

**WOMEN:** Interdistrict All Age: Manly 8 b Liverpool 0; Suth 3 b Gladysv-Hornsby (A) 0; Gladysv-Hornsby (B) bye; U-17: Manly 2 b Holroyd 1; Blacktown 5 b Gladysv-Hornsby 1; U-15: Ann Gregory Cup: Gladysv-Hornsby 3 b Manly 1; Holroyd v Liverpool postponed; Suth bye. **Metrop League:** Arncliffe Scots 11 b Budgewoi 2; Killarney 10 b Prospect 2; Wentworth v Epping-Eastw (A) postponed; Epping-Eastw (B) bye.

## ACT

### DIVISION 1

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Weston	4	0	0	24	28	
B'clnen	2	0	2	5	64	
Q'beyan	1	1	2	4	143	
ANU	0	1	3	4	201	

### DIVISION 2

	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Stormbirds	3	1	0	6	27	
B'clnen	2	2	0	13	66	
Weston	2	2	0	6	36	
Q'beyan	1	1	2	7	63	
ANU	1	0	3	5	82	
Nth Cbra	0	0	4	0	120	

# IS IT REALLY WORTH IT?

BY PHIL MURPHY

ILLAWARRA's representative team will have their one and only game of the season in Canberra over the weekend.

Coach David Naylor has been preparing his 14-man squad one night a week for the game which many people regard as a lot of effort for no real result.

Illawarra Soccer Association officials have come under fire for not having a set representative policy to give the top players in the area an incentive to make the squad.

A few years back, Illawarra went on a highly successful 10-day tour of New Zealand under coach Casey De Bruin.

These days the one game against ACT is the limit of Illawarra's activities.

**A MEMBER of the Illawarra squad, Alan Thompson of Fernhill, surprised a few people in the Premier League game against Tarrawanna.**

Playing in the mid-field, Thompson grabbed a hat-trick in Fernhill's 3-0 win, breaking a drought of four years without a win at Tarrawanna Oval.

Thompson is expected to fill the sweeper's role behind Larry Berringer in the Illawarra side.

Now in the veteran stage, Thompson is playing as well as ever and is one of the driving forces be-

hind Fernhill going to the top of the table.

Thompson's career goes back to the days when he played with South Coast United on the left wing.

He has been with a number of clubs in the area since and is currently working in Sydney as a school teacher and travelling to Wollongong to play and train.

**FAIRY MEADOW players are hoping they can stay on big winning bonuses to the end of the first round of the competition.**

Since they lost their only game so far to Bathurst earlier in the season, the Fairy Meadow players have been on an incentive of an extra \$5 for each consecutive win.

It certainly has had the desired effect and when they beat North Bankstown 1-0 at home recently the bonus was up to \$85.

Officials stipulate it goes back to the original payment when the second round starts.

**WEST-FIGTREE striker Brian Downs grabbed two of the goals in his team's important 3-1 win over Warrilla Wanderers.**

Downs is back with the club where he played as a

junior a few years back and was one of the most promising young prospects in the area.

When he was just 15, the old Wollongong City State League club signed him because coach Herbie Williams had a very high opinion of him. Downs recently returned from overseas and was welcomed with open arms by Figtree coach Adrian Ringland.

**TARRAWANNA made a successful return to the Robertson Cup.**

The club won the Cup 16 years ago at their only attempt but were tempted to have another go after their Under 19 team did so well last season.

Confined to Under 21 players, the Cup attracts some very strong sides but Tarrawanna are confident of doing well.

In the opening round they were at home to Five Dock, and romped in 7-0.



# VOGLER JUNIOR HITS WINNER

BY GREG RUSSELL

A FAMOUS name from Australian Soccer's past has hit the headlines again in the Queensland coalmining town of Ipswich.

Peter Vogler, the son of former Australian representative Brian "Chooky" Vogler, is the latest sensation in the Ipswich United Premier League team.

Vogler, after forcing out 1983 Premier League leading scorer Ken Gordon from the Ipswich team, scored United's winner in the derby with Coalstars.

The match, the first derby in five years, attracted the biggest club crowd in Queensland for decades.

Vogler angled the ball into the net in the second half after good work from Bruce Penman to give United its 1-0 win.

Chooky is one of Ipswich's favourite Soccer sons and played in an era when Ipswich provided up to seven players in the Australia team — players like Bob Lawrie and Gordon "Bunny" Nunn.

Chooky was a Rugby League player. He made an easy transition to

Soccer and became a robust and free-scoring left winger.

Ipswich United's win took the side to within striking distance of the Premier League lead for the first time this season.

Until the victory, Matt Carson's team was starting to earn a reputation as draw experts, having shared the points on four occasions in six matches.

The loss also prevented Coalstars from regaining the competition lead, something they had surprisingly held for three of the opening six weeks this season.

But after six rounds, the top of the table position was held by another dark horse, Acacia Ridge.

The Ridge have always been among the entertainers of Brisbane Soccer but have lacked the staying power to feature in the finals for the silverware.

The club employs its players under a unique system where the team gets a percentage of the gate and with some of the tiny crowds in the Queensland Premier League competition it sometimes means the Ridge's contract players are playing for little more than their love of the game.

The side has been strengthened this year by the signing of Lions NSL keeper Brett Beves and former Darra midfielder Ron Hartley.

Established stars like Ian Proud, Steve Donald, Steve Gallagher and Brad Ryan are performing as well as ever and hold the key to Ridge staying in the top four.

Last year's grand finalists Olympic seem to have finally hit some form and showed with their recent 3-1 win over Grange Thistle that they can no longer be discounted for the honours this season.

## OFFICIAL NSW TABLES

### DIV 1 GDE 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Monaro	10	6	3	1	36	15	15
Manly	9	6	3	0	21	4	15
Rockdale	10	6	2	2	23	11	14
Auburn	10	4	4	2	10	9	12
Cant-M'le	10	4	4	2	11	12	12
S'thland	10	4	3	3	12	7	11
Avala	10	3	2	5	13	24	8
Yugal	10	1	5	4	11	16	7
Kurlingal	10	2	3	5	13	21	7
Polonia	10	1	4	5	8	15	6
Warringah	9	2	2	5	11	20	6

### DIV 1 GDE 2

Cant-M'le	10	9	0	1	25	10	18
S'thland	10	5	3	2	27	15	13
Bankstown	9	6	1	2	21	10	13
Kurlingal	10	5	3	2	15	10	13
Manly	9	5	2	2	26	9	12
Rockdale	9	3	3	3	16	15	9
Auburn	10	3	3	4	15	17	9
Warringah	9	4	1	4	13	15	9
Monaro	10	3	0	7	14	25	6
Yugal	10	2	2	6	7	21	6
Polonia	10	1	2	7	7	24	4
Avala	10	1	2	7	9	24	4

### DIV 1 GDE 3

ant-M'le	9	7	1	1	21	7	15
Sutherland	9	6	2	1	28	13	14
Polonia	8	7	0	1	24	9	14
Manly	8	5	1	2	16	9	11
Auburn	8	4	0	4	15	12	8
Warringah	8	3	2	3	15	15	8
Rockdale	9	3	0	6	11	17	6
Bankstown	8	2	2	4	8	15	6
Yugal	8	2	0	6	10	24	4
Kurlingal	9	2	0	7	7	27	4

### DIV 2 GDE 1

F Meadow	10	9	0	1	22	8	18
Dee Why	10	6	3	1	31	8	15
Bathurst	10	6	3	1	20	7	15
W'gong Mac	9	5	3	1	7	8	13
B'twn Utd	12	5	3	4	23	15	13
Glad Hby	10	5	2	3	14	8	12
Nth B'twn	9	4	2	3	21	11	10
Rev Wkrs	9	4	2	3	16	8	10
Artamon	11	2	3	6	15	29	7
Belmore	10	1	4	5	9	21	6
Penrith Utd	10	2	1	7	8	26	5
NSW Uni	11	2	1	8	10	33	5
Parra City	11	1	1	9	13	38	3

### DIV 2 GDE 2

B'twn Utd	12	10	1	1	50	7	21
Dee Why	10	7	1	2	29	12	15
Nth B'twn	9	6	2	1	20	12	14
Rev Wkrs	9	4	3	2	17	11	11
Glad Hby	10	4	3	3	20	15	11
Artamon	11	5	1	5	23	33	11
W'gong Mac	9	4	2	3	21	17	10
Penrith	10	4	1	5	19	24	9
Belmore	10	4	0	6	16	22	8
F Meadow	10	2	3	5	10	14	7
Uni of NSW	11	3	0	8	7	28	6
Parra City	11	1	3	7	17	32	5
Bat urst	10	2	0	8	8	31	4

### DIV 2 GDE 3

Belmore	10	9	1	0	46	2	19
Blacktown	11	5	5	1	19	10	15
Penrith	10	7	0	3	23	15	14
Bathurst	10	6	0	4	21	13	12
Glad Hby	10	4	3	3	21	8	11
Nth B'twn	9:5	1	3	19	12	11	
Uni of NSW	11	4	3	4	15	11	11
Artamon	11	3	3	5	18	25	9
Dee Why	10	3	3	4	18	31	9
Parra City	10	3	1	6	13	19	7
F Meadow	10	1	5	4	8	19	7
Rev Wkrs	9	1	1	7	7	33	3
W'gong Mac	9	1	0	8	6	41	2

### DIV 3 GDE 1

C'twn City	10	6	2	2	19	9	14
Bondi	10	6	2	2	21	11	14
Nth Ryde	10	5	2	3	16	8	12
Queens Pk	9	5	1	3	15	10	11
Mt Druitt	10	5	1	4	18	11	11
Moorebank	9	4	1	4	18	14	9
King Tom	9	3	3	3	17	14	9
Pt Hacking	8	4	1	3	17	16	9
Kingsford	10	4	0	6	13	15	8
Bilham Hills	9	2	3	4	12	22	7
CSI	9	1	3	5	11	21	5
Lane Cove	9	1	1	7	7	27	3

### DIV 3 GDE 2

Kingsford	10	7	2	1	37	15	16
Queens Pk	9	6	2	1	26	13	14
C'twn City	10	5	3	2	22	15	13
Nth Ryde	10	5	3	2	22	15	13
Bondi	10	4	3	3	18	12	11
CSI	9	5	1	3	19	17	11
Pt Hacking	8	3	3	2	12	11	8
Moorebank	9	4	0	5	19	17	8
Bilham Hills	9	3	0	6	19	16	6
King Tom	9	2	2	5	14	25	6
Mt Druitt	10	0	3	7	14	30	3
Lane Cove	9	0	2	7	7	43	2

### DIV 3 GDE 3

Bondi	10	8	1	1	29	12	17
Bilham Hills	9	7	2	0	41	2	16
Mt Druitt	10	7	1	0	28	7	15
C'twn City	10	6	3	1	31	10	15
Pt Hacking	8	5	2	1	22	8	12
Moorebank	9	4	1	4	9	18	9
King Tom	9	4	1	4	12	22	9
Kingsford	10	4	0	6	12	22	8
Queens Pk	9	2	3	4	10	17	7
Nth Ryde	10	2	0	8	10	38	4
Lane Cove	9	0	0	9	0	0	0
CSI	9	0	0	8	7	55	0

## Women in Soccer

BY DON BALMAIN

Not content with this, Trixie seems to be making up lost time as she will be helping to run a coaching camp for women at the end of June.

The showpiece of the Sports and Recreation Department has been chosen for the location of the camp — the Narra-been Lakes Camp in Sydney's northern suburbs.

Trixie told me that the NSW Women's Fed-

open to girls above the age of 12 years," Trixie said. "I would like them to be above that age if possible though, as we will be concentrating on the Under 14 age bracket as much as possible."

Senior players, Cindy Heydon and Rose van Bruinessen, will be coming into camp to assist with the coaching and the Australian goalkeeper, Vicki Salmons,



## CHASERS SECOND

### WIN

In the north shore derby, Ku-ring-gai recorded their second win of the season convincingly defeating Warringah-Narrabeen 3-0.

Ku-Ring-gai dominated the game through the constructive play of experienced State League players Alan Bourke and Andy Tracey and the defensive efforts of Lee Watson and Terry Bertram.

Ku-Ring-Gai raced to an early lead after 10 minutes when Bass challenged Warringah's new signing David Rylands for the ball but Rylands could only watch in despair as his attempted header miscued into his own goal.

Trevor Jesse made it 2-0 seven minutes later scoring from close range following a corner from Andy Tracey. Understandably, Jesse was elated to score his first goal in first grade.

Warringah were reduced to 10 men in the 40th minute after Alan Dean was sent from the field for alleged foul play.

Young second half replacement Andrew Harper sealed Warringah's fate with his team's third goal three minutes from time after good lead-up work from Bourke and Bertram.

**WARRINGAH:** P. Dean, Sorge, Collinges, Earl, Rylands, Hanley, Taylor, Sandtner (Griffin 70), Sturgess, McDonagh (MacLean 55), A. Dean (SO 40).

**KU-RING-GAI:** Prentice, Benneth, Jesse, Bertram, Watson, Quigley, Bourke, Dene, Tracey, Jeffrey, Bass.

## MILNE STARS FOR AVALA

**BANKSTOWN NATIONAL** were soundly defeated 6-0 by a more spirited and skilful **Avala** at the neutral ground of Mona Park.

Avala striker Gary Milne was the hero of his team. Operating from the left flank, Milne finished with five goals to his credit.

Avala's other goal was scored by recent signing Ricky Budini with only seconds remaining in the match.

Bankstown were a shadow of the side that started the competition determined to shake off the cellar-dweller tag.

If Bankstown are to climb from the foot of the ladder changes have to be made quickly.

On the other hand, Avala started the season dismally but in recent weeks have responded to criticism with some fine performances.

**BANKSTOWN NATIONAL:** Lohman, Hasnic,

## BERRIES, AUBURN SHARE THE POINTS

**CANTERBURY-MARRICKVILLE** and **Auburn Uruguay** shared the points in a 0-0 draw at **Arlington Oval**.

Both sides created opportunities to score but lacked finishing when it was desperately needed.

Both sides started at a very fast pace. A shot by Banales, one of Auburn's better performers, was superbly parried by reinstated Berries goalie El Zein.

One minute before the break, Pettas had a chance to put the home team ahead but his attempt at the open Auburn goal sailed wide.

Efforts by Banales (54th) and Jones (57th)

were both driven wide of the Canterbury goal.

Canterbury almost scored when a shot from Pettas was cleared off the Auburn goal-line.

**CANTERBURY:** al Zein, Antonopoulos, Hantzis, Karaspyros, Laws, Anagnostopoulos, Biason (Hatzitoffe 58), Andreou (Titilas 23), Hall, Dounnis, Pettas.

**AUBURN:** Rosano, Parfitt, Geekie, Kelly, Planinic, Jones, Cwney, Akoutas (Watt 78), Townson, Knight (McDermid 73), Banales.



ABOVE: CHRIS CASSETTARI, who saved the Seasideers on a number of occasions in their top of the table match against Inter-Monaro

COMPILED BY  
**ANDREW  
PASCHALIDIS**

## LATE WINNER SINKS MONARO

**INTER-Monaro** suffered their first defeat of the season falling to **Championship** contenders **Manly-Warringah** 2-1 at the **Bruce Stadium**.

Manly and Monaro are in equal first position on 15 points but Monaro have a superior goal difference. Manly still have a deferred game to play against Warringah and are in a good position to take over the leadership.

It was a successful visit for the Seasideers to Quenabeyan. As well as winning the first grade fixture, the second grade team ran out comfortable victors 5-0.

Manly goalkeeper Chris Cassettari was in tremendous form, constantly denying the home team with some spectacular saves.

Cassettari as ably supported by team-mates Mark Holloway and defender Bobby Pagano. For Monaro, Baz Giampaolo was a constant menace pushing forward and looked dangerous around and inside the Manly penalty area.

Manly took charge early on and scored their first goal in the 20th minute when striker Robbie Stuart received a long clearance and drove the ball high into the Monaro goal.

Monaro levelled the score 10 minutes later

through a penalty goal from Walter Valeri after Manly defender Bobby Pagano fouled Bas Giampaolo.

Young second half substitute Steve Piaud had a tremendous introduction to the top grade scoring Manly's winning goal in a goalmouth scrimmage with 10 minutes remaining.

**MANLY:** Cassettari, Williamson, Pagano, Doyle, J. Dick (Piaud 75), Jones, Steven, Leak, Holloway, Stuart, Foxu (Davison 79).

## NSW FED RESULTS

### STATE LEAGUE 1st DIVISION

Inter Monaro vs Manly W'ingah	1-2	0-5
B'town National vs Avala	0-6	4-2 2-1
Ct.-M'ville Oly. vs Auburn Uruguay	0-0	3-0 2-0
SSC Yugal vs S'land Shire	1-1	0-4 1-6
W'ingah N'been vs Ku-ring-gai	0-3	1-3 6-0
Polonia vs R'dale Iinden	0-1	2-3 3-0

### 2nd DIVISION

Nth Bankstown vs Dee Why Swans	2-2	2-1 3-2
Gladesville Hby vs Fairy Meadow	1-2	1-1 0-0
Penrith Utd vs Revesby Wkrs	0-2	4-2 4-1
W Macdonia vs Parra City	2-1	3-3 1-4
Belmore vs Uni of NSW	0-0	4-0 1-0
Bathurst '75 vs Bl'town Utd	3-0	0-5 0-2

### INTER URBAN 1st DIVISION

C'belltown Gns vs Padstow Park	1-1	1-4
Rooty Hill vs Maroubra Utd	4-0	6-0
Fairfield Kiev vs Spanish Club	0-0	0-4
Sydney Uni vs H'ville-Zagreb	4-3	0-0
Nineveh Eagles vs Wentworth Waratahs	2-0	1-1
Wetherill Park vs E'wood St And	3-5	3-1

### 2nd DIVISION

Chelsea vs Chile Sports	1-1	3-3
Macquarie Uni vs G Valley Utd	2-1	1-1
West St George vs Pagewood	3-0	6-2
Concordia vs West United	4-0	3-1
Syd Maccabi vs H'bury Dist.	2-3	0-3
Macarthur Utd vs Tras Sports	2-0	1-2

### 3rd DIVISION

Chullora vs Nepean Rovers	0-4	0-2
M Farm Rangs. vs Rangers Hajduk	2-0	3-1
S'field H/S vs L'pool City	2-3	1-3
H'field B/D's vs Rosebery	3-5	3-3
Bl'town Wand vs Dulwich Hill	1-2	1-4

### 4th DIVISION

Castle Hill vs Argent Lid/Utd	2-3	2-0
L'vale Utd vs L'pool Rangers	3-2	0-3
Welcome Sports vs Hellas Poseidon	7-0	7-2
Concord Juniors vs L'gow Workmens	1-1	7-1
Colo Colo vs Jedinstvo Utd	5-0	3-0

### 5th DIVISION

Greenisland vs Mac Yagoona	3-2	0-1
Calabria vs F'field Athletic	2-1	0-1
Crescent Star vs L'ham Croatia	2-2	1-1
Santiago Wands vs P'sham Lus	d/p	
Abruzzi vs St Mary's RSL	8-3	5-3

## ROCKDALE HOLD OUT

A solitary goal by Rockdale striker **Ross Brown** after only six minutes was enough to give his side victory over **Polonia** at **Chopin Park**.

Brown shocked the home supporters with a brilliant 35 metre lob over the Polonia goalkeeper.

Branko Karanfilovski had a couple of chances to increase the score but he lacked finishing power in front of the Polonia goal.

Polonia fought their way back into the game during the second period, forcing Rockdale to respond with quick counter-attacking movements.

With only five minutes remaining, Geoff Wilson had an opportunity to increase the score but his penalty attempt was driven against the crossbar and cleared from danger.

Rockdale coach Iliya Takacs was pleased with the performance but realises his team has a hard programme in the next couple of weeks.

"We must continue to put pressure on the two top teams (Inter-Monaro and Manly). The ball is in our court."

"This week we play Manly and the following week Monaro. It's up to the boys to prove they are good enough to win these games and good enough to win the championship," Takacs concluded.

On a positive note for Polonia, negotiations are underway to sign experienced Polish strikers Andrew Pope (Motor Lublin) and Gerzy Gryz (Zaglembie Waldrzych).

**ROCKDALE:** Kotschambos, Grabeski, c. Wilson, Pilovski (Bottalico), D. Wilson, Nastevski (Ristevski), Yousuph, Slaveski, Trajanovski, Brown, Jones.

**POLONIA:** Barker, Jordan, Isherwood, Fogarty, Galas, Divani, Juchniewicz, Z. Garlowski, Thomas, Lumsdaine, Sobczyk.

## NSW SOCCER FEDERATION

### PRESENTS

## TOP ACTION SOCCER

### DIVISION 1

#### Saturday June 9:

Manly Warringah v Rockdale Iinden  
Sutherland Shire v Cant.-M'ville Oly

Cromer Park  
Seymour Shaw

#### Sunday June 10:

Avala v Inter Monaro  
Bankstown National v Auburn Uruguay  
Ku-ring-gai v SSC Yugal  
Polonia v Warringah N'been

Knight Park  
Potts Park  
Parklands Oval  
Chopin Park

### DIVISION 2

#### Saturday June 9:

Artarmon v North Bankstown

Artarmon Reserve

#### Sunday June 10:

Dee Why Swans v Gladesville Hornsby  
Fairy Meadow v Penrith United  
Revesby Workers v Wollongong  
Belmore v Parramatta City  
University of NSW v Bathurst '75

Cromer Park  
Police Boys Ground  
Milperra Reserve  
Blick Oval  
Little Bay Oval

## NEXT WEEK'S MATCHES

### DIVISION 1

#### Sunday June 17:

Manly Warringah v Bankstown National  
Avala v Cant.-M'ville Oly.  
Auburn Uruguay v SSC Yugal  
Sutherland Shire v Warringah N'been  
Ku-ring-gai v Polonia  
Rockdale Iinden v Inter Monaro

Cromer Park  
Knight Park  
Mona Park  
Seymour Shaw  
Parklands Oval  
Hurstville Oval

## NO SECOND DIVISION FIXTURES TO BE PLAYED ON JUNE 16/17



# ERIC WORTHINGTON ON 'TALENT IDENTIFICATION'

NATIONAL director of coaching Eric Worthington, disagrees with our view that the Australian U19 Youth Championship were a farce.

He said: "The 'talent identification' tests provided valuable information that has never been obtained before."

## GOLD COAST SURPRISE KIWI BOYS

BY TERRY STOLLERY  
VISITING New Zealand junior Soccer team, East Coast Bays, and the Gold Coast U13 representative side fought out an exciting 2-2 draw in their first encounter on the Gold Coast.

The Kiwis — proud owners of an amazing record last season in the Under 12 North Island competition — found themselves 2-1 down at half-time to the Coasters after striker Andrew Brayshaw and midfielder Craig Halliwell netted from set moves.

A well-planned attack by the Kiwis at the start of the second-half found the Coast defence lacking and the score was 2-2 after only 60 seconds.

Before a large and enthusiastic crowd, both sides fought tenaciously for possession right up to the final whistle.

The Kiwis put together several well-rehearsed attacking moves which highlighted exactly why they won all but two of their games in New Zealand last year.

The coasters responded to the challenge with well-executed through-ball situations which the Kiwis found difficult to handle.

The second match was held at Palm Beach Soccer Club under lights and, although played in extremely bad weather conditions, proved just as entertaining as the first match.

Both sides started the game with fast, open Soccer, but at half-time were still deadlocked at 0-0.

The second-half showed exactly what soccer is all about — both the Kiwis and the Coasters determined not to concede which would probably have been the deciding goal.

"We checked to find out that players do not want long speeches at the end of a tournament."

"With the benefit a hindsight, we should have arranged for someone like Johnny Warren or Frank Farina to hand out the medals."

"Organisation of the championship was set up by executive director

Brian Emery and the Australian Institute of Sport."

Seeing that Mr Emery was at the FIFA meeting at the time of the Championship, he was obviously unable to carry through with his task.

Even if talent identification exercises and talks between coaches had value, they were minimised by lack of organisation.

They so affected the at-

tention to Championship matches that they were abandoned.

For our part, we renew our call for the ASF to put the Championships in the hands of individual States for the future.

Find some rational way to evaluate player and coaching skills without devaluing national titles.

The prime purpose of the titles is to identify players for the next World Youth Championship.



## EXPANSION FOR AFFILIATE REFS

BY TONY POLLARD, NATIONAL SECRETARY

FORMATION of the Victorian Division of the Australian Affiliate Soccer Referees Federation within the next few weeks will pay big dividends.

The Australian Affiliate referees is the arm of refereeing in NSW, Queensland and Northern NSW which mainly covers amateur Soccer.

It was the Western Australians who late last year provided the impetus for progress by seeking affiliation. Now Victoria is preparing to join.

By having five affiliated States, the AASRF will be able to receive recognition by the Australian Soccer Federation.

It will be able to undertake a greater role in the advancement of referees controlling amateur fixtures. In particular, the younger (cadet) referees will receive more advancement.

Jeff Munn, the inaugural president of the WA Division, described their move as being one that "will certainly encourage an improvement in standards in Western Australia, as well as giving national recognition of amateur status referees."

These remarks were backed up by Ian Pratt MLC, the Member for Lower West as well as patron of the new division.

Mr Pratt stated that being so far from the eastern States, WA were often overlooked in many ways. He was pleased to see that in Soccer, particularly in refereeing,

this was not the case.

A recent visit to the new division was most successful in putting the division on the right path.

Approaches have also been made to referees in the ACT, Tasmania and South Australia to have them join the AASRF.

### FIREWORKS

CHULLORA WOLVES Soccer Club will hold their big professionally organised fireworks night at Lockwood Park, Chullora, on Sunday (June 10).

The displays are timed for 7 pm and 9 pm, with U6 KO matches starting at 4 pm.

## IT WAS A SORRY PERFORMANCE

ONE time NSW State League player DAVID LEE has worked with some of Australia's best youth players. He has top qualifications from England as well as Australia. Recently he has secured outstanding results with the Blacktown Super Squad, which is producing some of the most talented youngsters in NSW. He comments on the recently concluded Australian U19 Championships.

were prepared to go forward, and one could go on and on.

I believe the team was selected without due thought for the system it was trying to play.

They played at 100 MPH for the first 20 minutes and then stopped dead.

We played with two at the front with occasional exceptions. This meant that spaces out wide could be exploited, but we had no wide players.

When strikers did go wide it was too late. They were forced to the sidelines and no midfield players went through the middle.

Consequently, as last year, we tried to play through a crowded middle.

When Rob Hooker was on the park he was prepared to go forward and

we looked the best for three days.

The lesson of Brett Thornthwaite going wide and scoring twice against Western Australia was lost. The same player, by the way, caused minor problems against Victoria when he got wide.

In my view, young Nelson was the best NSW player, with fair performances by both goalkeepers.

Hooker looked good in his short appearance. Thornthwaite played some great passes but I consider he must get more involved.

The question remains however — who is to get the NSW act in order for next year?

It seems certain that new NSW coaching director Alan Vest must be appointed to do the job.



Left to right: Jeff Munn CMC, president of WA Division; Tony Pollard, AASRF national secretary; Ian Pratt MLC; Ken Rogers, vice-president of WA Division — pictured on the steps of Parliament House in Perth.



## ALBURY BOYS WIN IN BEGA

IN 1983, the U13 representative team was formed for the Albury/Wodonga Soccer Association under coach Carlo Villani.

The team co-ordinator, Mrs J. Duell, accepted an invitation to Merimbula for the Easter tournament. With their sights set on bringing the Cup home, accommodation was arranged in Bega. Three nights and four days were spent in Bega by the team.

They managed fifth placed out of 12, and Robert Capponneccia (midfielder) was awarded "Most Constructive Player" of the series.

On the way home the team were

discussing plans for the following year's competition.

As U14s in 1984, the team were ready once again for the competition.

Albury/Wodonga won games against teams such as Croydon City 2-0, Nth Tasmania 4-1 and Belnorth 2-0.

In the grand final, 1-0 against Mornington. Robert Capponneccia was once again rewarded with the "Most Constructive Player" award.





The pressure is on to help players increase their skills as they progress through the Blacktown Super Squad. Here this young goalkeeper cups his arms to cover a low shot, and then parries a hot shot to his left hand "around the post".

## COUNTRY SOCCER HISTORY IS MADE

### HERE is junior Soccer history!

The NSW Country U13, U14 and U15 teams are the first-ever teams prepared to represent NSW Country in

Soccer and play against the Sydney teams. They have a hard job ahead but they are very keen to test the city boys.

The groups were snapped whilst in a training camp at Parklea together with team officials Vince Balzan, Greg Ankudinoff, John Haynes and Frank Finlay.

The players are attired in playing gear and jackets provided by Attack Sportswear.



UNDER 13

BACK ROW: C. James, D. Lambert, M. Rochow, S. Morse, A. O'Flynn, A. Blake, D. Rich, P. Taylor, G. Ankudinoff (coach). FRONT ROW: J. Deane, S. Moore, T. Farrell, R. Newman, A. Denison, C. McGann, C. Ash, M. Duke.



UNDER 14

BACK ROW: J. Hayes (coach), B. Langford, P. Giezekamp, C. Jones, M. Starr, V. Bates, A. Warble, C. White, F. Finlay (manager). FRONT ROW: C. McGill, B. Hollywood, L. Turner, A. Steadman, R. Crisp, K. Whalan, M. Lappin.



UNDER 15

BACK ROW: Vince Balzan (coach), W. Commerford, P. Tippet, S. Kinross, M. Pearce, D. Boyer, S. Maundrell, C. Prestage, J. Price, J. Sergi. FRONT ROW: C. Weldon, T. Whittall, P. Dunn, D. Denaro, M. Rooke, A. Carroll.

## METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

ROUND 5 — JUNE 3

	U11	U12
Ku-ring-gai v Southern Districts	-	2-0
Central Coast v Blacktown	1-2	1-2
St George v Canterbury	0-4	2-5
Illawarra v Sthn & Eastern	-	6-0
Bankstown v Gladesville	2-1	1-2
Nepean v Sutherland	6-2	3-0
Granville bye		

## NSW ATTACK YOUTH LEAGUE

ROUND 17 — JUNE 2

GROUP A

	U13	U14	U15	U16
Baulkham Hills v St George	1-1	2-4	1-3	2-6
Croatia v Illawarra	2-2	0-4	2-2	1-0
Ku-ring-gai v APIA	0-5	0-1	0-0	0-0
Bankstown v Auburn	0-2	0-2	4-1	0-2
Canterbury Assn v Sthn Dists	0-5	1-5	1-1	6-0
Yugal v Blacktown City	4-4	0-6	1-4	1-12
Melita v Macarthur	5-1	3-0	1-2	5-0

GROUP B

	0-15	1-2	1-3	0-1
Sydney City v Syd Olympic	7-1	0-2	3-0	def
Granville v Marconi	1-2	2-5	1-1	0-2
Avala v Sutherland	1-4	0-2	0-2	0-1
Gladesville v Nepean	def	1-0	0-0	0-0
Central Coast v Manly	0-5	0-3	0-5	def
Rockdale v Cant-M'ville	1-9	2-2	1-0	2-0
Blacktown v Nth Bankstown	5-0	2-5	0-0	0-0
Marconi v Sydney City (R16)				

## PETER'S SCG GOAL

PETER WORDSWORTH and Craig McDonald combined to set up a 1-0 win for Granville in the U16 match at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

McDonald broke clear three minutes from the end and smashed his shot on the Canterbury-Marrickville crossbar.

The ball rebounded directly to Wordsworth, who won the game with a well-judged header.

The result could have gone either way, as there was nothing between the teams until the dying minutes.

Both teams opened up with an attack of SCG nerves and the first half was very even.

Canterbury goalkeeper John Tsousidis covered the shot well 10 metres out from the goal which was well taken by Granville's Robbie Herning.

At the other end, Canterbury's Tom Papas went close but a defender deflected the ball and the goalkeeper covered.

Then a great first-time cross by Granville right winger Shane Sponberg was met by David Charlesworth, who could not control the ball quickly enough to put it away.

Canterbury's little No 7 Tom Pontidas was exerting a tonne of pressure from the right touchline.

Granville replied with a lofted cross from McDonald but the ball was blasted right at the goalkeeper. Then the play came which resulted in a sparkling winner by Wordsworth for the Granville side.

## GREENACRE SOCCER CLUB

REQUIRES U9 TEAMS TO COMPETE IN A KNOCKOUT COMPETITION ON SUNDAY 17 JUNE AT ALLUN PARK, GREENACRE

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT MR KERNOT AH: 709 7844

## TURNER CUP

ST JOHN BOSCO 5 (Paul Halpin 3, Michael Ryan, Robbie Abonyi) d CARINGBAH 0.

MACQUARIE 5 d ASHFIELD 4 on penalties after 0-0 at extra-time. BEST PLAYERS: C. Miller, P. Collins, M. Olijnyk (Macquarie), A. Carmona, T. Mazzotta (Ashfield).

ROUND 3:

KADINA 16 (P. Foster 11, C. Foster 3, A. Molyneux, G. Gilchrist) d GRAFTON 0. BEST PLAYERS: Paul Foster (Kadina), Michael Blacklock (Grafton).

## TURNER CUP

ST JOHN BOSCO 5 (Paul Halpin 3, Michael Ryan, Robbie Abonyi) d CARINGBAH 0.

## ENTER NOW

## SERDERON THE PLASTIC MAN PRIZE

SERDERON PTY LTD, Sydney's Polythene Distributors, will award \$1,000, split between five lucky junior clubs, associations, schools and organisations for their contributions to ASW for the period April 3 to September 25, 1984.



These can be in story and/or pictorial form. Photographs should be in black and white and have good contrast, although colour snaps will usually turn out satisfactorily.

The prize are: 1st \$500, 2nd \$250, 3rd \$100, 4th \$100, 5th \$50. The decision of the editorial staff of ASW will be final.

So keep those news items and pictures rolling in to AUSTRALIAN SOCCER WEEKLY, PO Box 406, Broadway, NSW 2007.



# A COMMUNIST CONSPIRACY!

WHEN you look at all past winners of the Olympic football tournament, it is quite obvious where the strength of so-called amateur football lies.

The Olympic gold medal in 1980 went to Czechoslovakia... in 1976 to East Germany... in 1972 to Poland... in 1968 and 1964 to Hungary... in 1960 to Yugoslavia... in 1956 to the Soviet Union and in 1952 to Hungary.

This means that the Olympic Games football tournament is virtually a closed shop with the Communist nations far too good for western opposition.

Of course, it was very different in earlier years.

In the days of the true-blue amateurs, Great Britain won the gold medal in 1900, 1908 and 1912,

with, believe it or not, Canada the 1904 champions.

Other Olympic winners were Belgium (1920), Uruguay (1924 and 1928), Italy in 1936 and Sweden in London after the war in 1948.



RADECANU

# ROMANIA ARE NOT 'SOFT-LINERS'

WHEN Romania ignored pressure from Moscow to pull out of the Los Angeles Olympic Games, many observers suggested that the Romanians were only loosely involved in Soviet political ideology.

But Borussia Dortmund's Marcel Radecanu would not agree with that.

Radecanu fled to the West three years ago and sought political asylum in West Germany.

This was granted and the player is now a naturalised German citizen, but he is having great difficulty getting

permission for his family to join him.

Romanian authorities have flatly refused to let the family leave and this means Radecanu may never be able to see them again.

That story hardly indicates that Romania is a "soft-line" communist country.

# BRAZIL'S ATTEMPTS FAIL

ATTEMPTS by two Brazilian clubs to stage a fabulous club competition, bringing together some of the world's greatest sides, have failed.

And it was a Brazilian, FIFA president Joao Havelange, who vetoed the exciting plan.

Gremio (Porto Alegre), the world club champions

and Flamengo from Rio, put forward the plan for the series to be played during the European close-season.

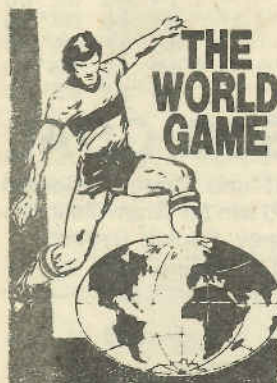
Teams of the calibre of

Ajax Amsterdam, Liverpool, Red Star Belgrade, Bayern Munich, Bilbao and Feyenoord would have been invited to South America to test

their skills against top Latin American sides.

It could have been one of the greatest football shows ever staged, so it's

not surprising the Brazilians are upset about not getting FIFA permission to organise it.



## MILL THE MAN

ITALIAN talent scouts have dossiers on all the top players in Britain but they are now becoming increasingly interested in German players.

A.C. MILAN, having secured Ray Wilkins from Manchester United, have now made a bid for Borussia Moenchengladbach's forward Frank Mill.

The offer is \$310,000 a year for the next three years.

Mill has been scoring a lot of goals in the Bundesliga and goalscorers are precious in Italy.

Moenchengladbach are very anxious to retain Mill, but money talks...

## GERMANS HAVE BIG PROBLEMS

BERNDT SCHUSTER, one of the players West Germany hopes will help them retain the European Championship in France this month, has been saying things which cannot inspire confidence in the team.

Schuster, one of many football mercenaries who quit Germany to earn big money in Spain, stated the Germans had no hope of winning the championship with their present team.

He also claimed star forward Karl-Heinz Rummenigge should do something about trying to recover lost form.

This latest split in the German ranks is causing

national coach Jupp Derwall plenty of headaches he does not need.

Derwall was criticised severely not long ago for causing the national team to play dull football and he is already tipped to get

the chop after the Championship.

**EAST GERMANY is tightening up its domestic football competition, reducing the five divisions to only two, with 18 teams in each.**

The East Germans have just signed to play against England at Wembley at the start of the next season.



BERNDT SCHUSTER

## INSTANT REMEDY FOR DEFEAT!

WHENEVER a team takes a beating or two, club officials in Brazil can be guaranteed to do one of two things.

They will either sack the coach or make far-fetched promises to strengthen the team.

This was demonstrated over recent years by the following:—

**JORGE HELAL** (Flamengo). Zico will return from Udinese and Falcao will be signed from A.S. Roma.

**ANDRE RICHAR** (Flamengo). Get Pele at any price.

**VICENTE MATHAUS**

(Corinthians). Sign Falcao. **PIANELLI** (Sao Paulo). After losing State Championship to Corinthians, Cerezo and Falcao will play in Merumbi. They did... in the friendly match with A.S. Roma!

**A R T H U R DALSgrave** (Internacional). Promised the return of Falcao.

**FELICIO BRANDI** (Cruzeiro). Announced transfer of Fernando Morena from Penarol of Montevideo, but Morena went instead to Spanish club Valencia.

Now Brazilian fans are asking club officials to cut out the fairy tales and do something more positive.

Like sacking coaches?

## VENABLES JOINS BARCELONA

BARCELONA, having employed some of the world's greatest, and most expensive, coaches, are hoping the new boss, Terry Venables from Queens Park Rangers, will provide the answers to problems in the club.

Barcelona's highly-paid star players need some good old-fashioned British discipline to bring them in line. Venables will supply it.

There is a lot of conjecture about the salary being paid to Venables.

One Spanish report said it is not less than a BASIC \$6,000 a week and, while that may seem huge, it must be remembered that Barcelona have been called the world's richest football club.

Ron Atkinson, Manchester United manager, tipped Venables to take over at Barcelona at least 48 hours before the appointment was confirmed.

Atkinson, in Australia on tour, was asked if there

was any truth in a report that he would switch from Old Trafford to Nou

Camp. His answer? "Not me — try Terry Venables."



TERRY VENABLES

## UNITED OFF TO SPAIN

MANCHESTER UNITED's players are keen to return from the Australian trip for a summer holiday with their families, but they will not get a very long break.

United have agreed to play in a pre-season tournament in La Coruna in Spain early in August.

One of the players they'll be facing is the notorious Goicoechea of Athletic Bilbao, who earned the nickname "Butcher of Bilbao" after being involved in a serious foul which put Barcelona's Maradona out of action for a long spell.

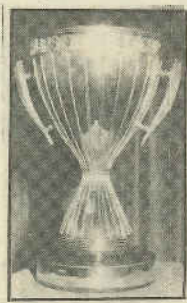
Vasco Da Gama (Brazil) and A.S. Roma (Italy), will also play in the La Coruna tournament.

No doubt they, too, will keep a wary eye out for Goicoechea!





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# QUARTER-FINALS



PETER TREDINNICK (Leichhardt)

**ADELAIDE CITY V FOOTSCRAY**

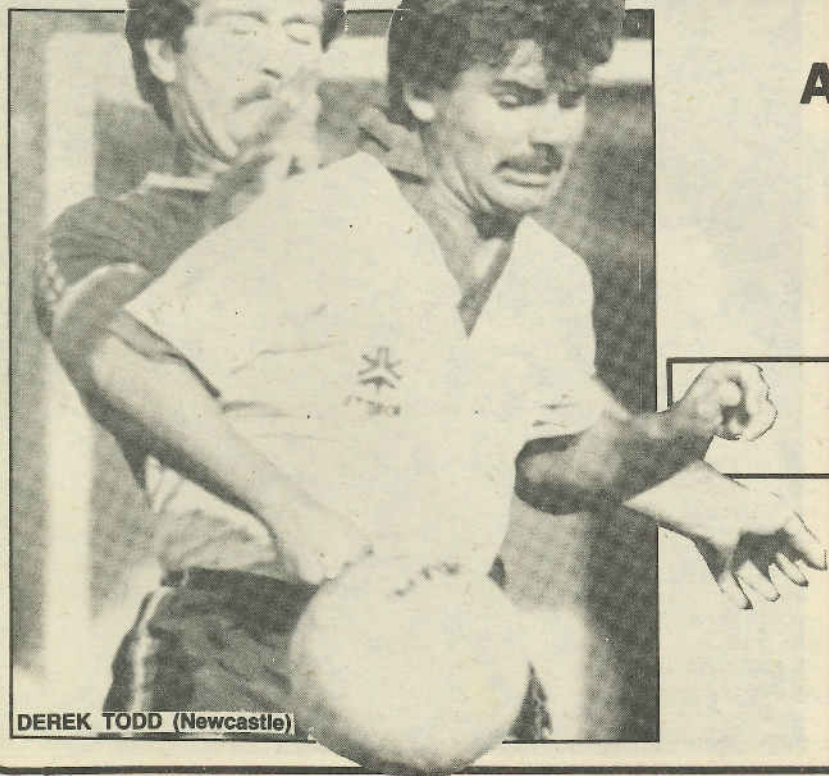
**OLYMPIC SPORTS FIELD, ADELAIDE  
SUNDAY 2.30 PM**

**MELBOURNE CROATIA V BRISBANE LIONS**

**OLYMPIC PARK, MELBOURNE  
MONDAY 3 PM**

**NEWCASTLE ROSEBUD V SYDNEY CITY**

**ADAMSTOWN OVAL, ADAMSTOWN  
MONDAY 2.30 PM**



DEREK TODD (Newcastle)

**PENRITH CITY V LEICHHARDT**

**COOK PARK, ST MARYS  
SATURDAY 3 PM**



# NO GLORY FOR SUNDERLAND

**T**IMES are hard for Sunderland, whose players allege no meal was provided for them after a six-hour coach journey to a match late last season.

On that occasion, the players bought sandwiches and snacks,

an unheard-of state of affairs in what used to be regarded as a top club.

It seems other strange economies were brought in at Roker Park; for instance showers instead of baths in a bid to save some money on the fuel bills.

It is not surprising that team boss Len Ashurst, brought in to try and revive some of Sunder-

land's former glory, faces requests for transfer from most members of his first team.

Even the Sunderland holiday trip to Majorca did not heal the rift.

The players paid their own fares.

## ASPREY GETS JOB

**S**TROKE CITY just escaped the dreaded drop to Second Division and as a reward for that effort, caretaker-manager Bill Asprey has been handed a two-year contract.

Asprey, a former Stoke centre-half, accepted the offer.

## BEST WANTS A COACHING JOB

**G**EORGE BEST, having travelled the world to play in exhibition games — including a trip to Australia last year — believes the time has come for him to settle into a permanent job.

The brilliant Irishman wants a coaching job, preferably with a top English club.

"I have found coaching

very enjoyable and I'm sure I could do well in the First Division," said George.

As an all-time Man-

chester United lover, Best, naturally, would be happy to coach at Old Trafford if a vacancy crops up.

## KEEGAN TO MANAGE

**K**EVIN KEEGAN may have retired as a player, but the former England captain is wanted by many clubs who believe he would make a top manager.

The big tip is that Keegan will take over the Portsmouth team, which would suit him because

the club is handy to his Hampshire home.

Bobby Campbell was sacked a fortnight ago as Portsmouth manager.



KEVIN KEEGAN



## ABERDEEN REBUILD

**A**BERDEEN, with one of the most comfortable grounds in Scotland — their Pittodrie headquarters is an all-seater stadium — have made even bigger improvements.

During the UK summer, work is going on swiftly to build another new 4,000-seater grandstand, costing \$2,500,000.

Aberdeen hope the building will be completed before the start of the 1984-85 season.

**DENNIS MORTIMER** has played more than 500 first team games for Aston Villa, but will he play any more?

That's the big question as Villa try to reduce their top-heavy wages bill.

Mortimer has signed a

new contract, but he pointed out: "If the club has to reduce the outgo-

ings, the higher-paid players, including me, could be leaving Villa Park."

# LIVERPOOL ARE THE GREATEST!

BY ANDREW PASCHALIDIS

**L**IVERPOOL laid claim to being the greatest club side in the world with an inspiring victory in the European Cup following a tense penalty shootout.

Playing at Rome's Olympic Stadium before a parochial Italian crowd, Liverpool's experience during the pressure penalty period proved to be enough.

They went on to defeat AS Roma 4-2 after both teams were locked at 1-1 after extra-time.

Roma should have kicked on and won the penalty shootout after Steve Nichol fired Liverpool's first attempt over the crossbar.

This was not to be. Surprisingly, it was

the experienced Italian international Graziani and Conti who missed with their attempts.

It was a fitting climax to the end of the season for Liverpool.

As well as winning the European Cup, they convincingly won the English First Division championship and defeated Merseyside rivals Everton in the Milk Cup.

Liverpool raced to a 1-0 lead after only 15 minutes.

Ex-patriot Australian Craig Johnston crossed the ball

from the right flank which the Roma keeper Franco Tancredi spilled.

In the scramble for possession, a clearance by team-mate Rigetti bounced off the keeper and into the path of Liverpool defender Phil Neal. He made no mistake from close range.

This didn't deter the Italians, and they bounced back to equalise with a well-conceived header by Roberto Pruzzo following good lead-up work by Conti in the 43rd minute.

The 1-1 stalemate

was to remain for the second half as well as the mandatory extra-time period.

Credit should be directed to Liverpool's centre-back combination of Alan Hansen and Mark Lawrenson. They were ably backed up by goalkeeper Bruce Grobelaar.

For Roma, Conti showed flashes of brilliance pushing forward. It could have been a different story if striker Pruzzo didn't leave the field with an injury in the 63rd minute.

